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Incorporating REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING
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SHORTWAVE AIRINGS OF WORLD OF RADIO 1774, May 21-27, 2015

Thu 1130	WRMI	9955	[confirmed]
Thu 2100	WRMI	7570	[confirmed]
Fri 2130	WRMI	15770	[confirmed]
Fri 2130	WRMI	7570	[confirmed]
Sat 0730	HLR	7265-CUSB	Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 1530	HLR	7265-CUSB	Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 1930v	WAØRCR	1860-AM	
Sun 0315v	WAØRCR	1860-AM	[started circa 0400]
Sun 2100	WRMI	15770	[confirmed]
Sun 2300	WRMI	11580	[confirmed]
Mon 0300v	WBCQ	5110v	Area 51 [confirmed]
Mon 0330	WRMI	9955	[confirmed]
Tue 1100	WRMI	9955	
Wed 0630	HLR	7265-CUSB	Hamburger Lokalradio
Wed 1315	WRMI	9955	
Wed 1430	HLR	7265-CUSB	Hamburger Lokalradio
Wed 2100	WBCQ	7490v	

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Tnx to Dr Harald Gabler and the Rhein-Main Radio Club.
<http://www.rmrc.de/index.php/rmrc-service/podcast/glenn-hauser-wor>

ALTERNATIVE PODCASTS, tnx Stephen Cooper:
<http://shortwave.am/wor.xml>

AND ANOTHER PODCAST ALTERNATIVE, tnx to Keith Weston:
<http://feeds.feedburner.com/GlennHausersWorldOfRadio>

Also via [but still not back in service]:
<http://tunein.com/radio/World-of-Radio-p198/>

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** AFGHANISTAN [non]. U.K.(non), Frequency change of FEBA Radio Sadaye Zindagi from May 13:
1500-1530 NF 9445 ERV 300 kW / 100 deg to WeAs Dari, ex 9590*, videos * to avoid PBS Xizang in Tibetan. Another co-ch of FEBA and PBS Xizang
1430-1500 on 9500 TAC 100 kW / 131 deg to SoAs Hindi, 6 videos May 14
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/frequency-change-of-feba-radio-sadaye.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015 via DXLD) See also ARMENIA

** ALBANIA. 9850, May 20 at 0123, R. Tirana IS at good level, 45-53

dbU on the PL-880 with short random wire, and with low-audible self-imposed het; maybe some lite SSB QRM as I heard once before from 9851-LSB, but unable to copy anything now with big Tirana signal a kHz away (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANGUILLA. QSL: Caros amigos, Seguem os dados das últimas confirmações recebidas:

6090 ñ The Caribbean Beacon ñ The Valley ñ ATG [sic] ñ Recebido cart,,o QSL. ? dias. V/S: Doris Mussington. Informe enviado por email: beacon@anguillanet.com QTH: P O Box 690, The Valley, Antigua [sic]

73 (Ivan Dias Jr. - Sorocaba/SP,
<https://www.youtube.com/regionaldx>
<http://ivandias.wordpress.com>
<http://twitter.com/ivandiasjr>
May 15, radioescutas yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

So CBB does serve a useful purpose --- SWBC QSL from Anguilla (not Antigua), available direct, not just thru LA HQ (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** ANTARCTICA. 15476, LRA 36, Radio Nacional Arc. ngel San Gabriel, Base Esperanza, 2000-2045, 11-05, female, Spanish, comments, identification: "LRA 36, Radio Nacional Arc. ngel San Gabriel, 15476 kHz, banda de 19 metros". 14321. Also heard 2003-2010, 14-05, Spanish, comments. 14321 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Grundig Satellit 500, Tecsun PL-880, Sony ICF SW 7600G, Cable antenna, 8 meters and Degen 31MS active loop antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA. 15344.85, Radio Argentina Exterior (presumed); 2110-2119+, 15-May; EZL music; M&W alternating in German with LAm items. SI0=3+53 (Harold Fodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 65 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARMENIA. 864 MW, TWR, Gavar, 1640, May 01, Russian, 30 minutes programme reading from the Bible and hymns, 42432.

1350 MW, TWR, Gavar, 1817-1832, May 03, English/Turkish, reading from the Bible in English and translated each sentence into Turkish, 42432.

1377 MW, TWR, Gavar, 1806, May 01, English/Farsi, reading from the Bible in English and translated into Farsi, 53433 (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, DSWCI [sic] DX Window May 13 via DXLD)

** ARMENIA [and non]. IBRA Radio via Gavar Armenia relay site, 300 kW at 100 degrees azimuth, replaced 9590 kHz channel by 9445 kHz ---

9445, Since May 13 Babcock brokery changed their client IBRA Radio program in Dari to Persia and Afghanistan to new 9445 kHz channel from Gavar Armenia relay.

Observed during 31 mb check in remote unit in Australia at 1515 UT May 15, S=8-9 signal downunder. Mens talk mentioned often Afghanistan and Iran in 1500-1530 UT schedule.

9590 used now by CNR PBS Xizang from Lhasa Baiding tx #602 site since April 26, and adjacent 9585 kHz by powerhouse CRI Xianyan Japanese too. wb (Wolfgang B.schel, May 15, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Sadaye Zindagi, videos from May 14

<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/frequency-change-of-feba-radio-sadaye.html>

73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 15, dxldyg via DXLD)

See also AFGHANISTAN [non]

** ARUBA [and non]. FM in Aruba --- Tuesday night my wife and I returned from a vacation of 5 nights in Aruba. This was our second trip there. I took my Eton Traveler III and my RTL2832 820T dongle along with me. As an antenna for the dongle I took along three feet of copper wire to stick into the center conductor of the coax. I monitored the FM band in the mornings and late at night. We were on the third floor with a south facing window which was the best direction for me.

Aruba has four languages: Papiamento, English, Spanish and Dutch. Every Aruba native speaks Papiamento, which sounds like Spanish to me but with other sounds mixed in. It seems almost every Aruban also speaks English, Spanish or both. Most visitors to Aruba come from either the US or Venezuela. The local currency is the floren but everybody deals in dollars and many cash registers are full of dollars only. Restaurant prices are shown in dollars. English is everywhere.

With that in mind, every station in Aruba broadcasts in Papiamento except 93.1 which is English (religious) almost all of the time. Commercials are in Papiamento or Spanish or English. A bunch of non-English commercials may include one or two in English. IDs by most stations are in English. Some use English jingles.

Here is my bandscan. dB readings are taken from my Eton Traveler III and the PI Codes from the 820T dongle. The fields are freq, country, db reading, mono/stereo, name, PI code, Pty code, PS info. I will attach the .xls file if the file that follows is messed up/unreadable.

Freq PI Pty PS

88.1, ARUBA 43db stereo dance, rap
88.3, Spanish music
88.7, VEN mono tropical, semi-local
88.9, ARUBA 35db talk and music
89.1, VEN 27db mono poss Coro/found // to 88.7 but not always
89.5, VEN 30db stereo Radio Nacional de Venezuela, talk and music,
semi-local
89.9, ARUBA 60db stereo Nobenta tropical
90.1, VEN 25db Maracaibo ads, dance mx, semi-local
90.7, ARUBA 53db stereo La Caliente 90.7 [FFFF] TOP 40 CLIENTE 90.7
FM--LA TIENS QUE OIR--WWW.CALIENTEFMARUBA.COM
91.5, ARUBA 53db stereo tropical
92.3, 35db stereo pop music/EE religious teaching
93.1, ARUBA stereo Radio Victoria, the Voice of Hope English
Preaching, mostly EE
93.5, VEN mono dj and pop music
93.7, weak Spanish music
94.1, ARUBA stereo Hits 94 FM [3101] TOP 40 HITS 94 ADVERTISE ON
HITS94FM CALL 582-0694 HITS 94 ARUBAS NO1RADIO
94.5, VEN 25db stereo Superstereo 94.5 FM Coro semi-local
95.1, ARUBA 45db stereo Top 95.1 tropical
95.7, religious with Amazing Grace
96.5, ARUBA 52db stereo Magic FM [1234] none MAGIC-FM
96.9, 13db
97.7, VEN 11db mono
97.9, ARUBA 45db stereo Easy FM soft rock [1064] SOFT EASY ON YOUR
MIND EASYFM.COM
98.5, phone talk and dance music
98.9, ARUBA 42DB stereo Cool FM [3000] COUNTRY COOL-FM
99.5, VEN 15db Maracaibo-US style classic rock
99.9, ARUBA 40db stereo Galactica FM tropical
100.9, ARUBA 32db stereo Hits 100 FM
101.7, ARUBA 54db stereo tropical
102.3, VEN 19db La Rumba FM tropical, some rap, time checks
103.5, VEN 17db mono semi-local
104.3, ARUBA 35db stereo Fresh FM R&B
105.3, ARUBA 30db stereo talk one channel bad, weak audio
106.7, ARUBA 40db stereo I Love Aruba FM dance
106.9, VEN 17db mono Radio Nacional de Venezuela semi-local, Cumana
mentioned, RC Musica?
107.5, ARUBA 50db stereo Blue FM dance [E262] CLASSIC BLUE-FM

Five of the Oranjestad stations use RDS. The Pty codes not reflect
the type of programming. Music can be US pop, Spanish pop, Spanish
ballads, Ranchero type music or Bob Marley. I did not hear any steel
drum Caribbean type music on any station. The hotel played a mix of
soft Spanish music and Harry Connick vocals.

I noticed enhanced reception from Venezuelan FMs until around 10 am when the clouds dissipated. Then after around 11 pm the enhancement came back. Some of the Venezuelans were fair during the day but increased to local quality as evening set in. One station in particular, Superstereo 94.5 had lots of IDs and is strong. I searched for its location and found it to be in Coro, about 90 miles south. I'd look for this one during Es openings especially if you live in the southern US. Stations on 88.7 and 106.9 were in all day. Cuman· was mentioned often on 106.9. There is a station on 106.9 in Cuman· but the town is on the coast, but about 400 miles east. I'd be amazed if it were them. I'd look for something closer to Aruba.

Wish I had RDS Spy and a better computer there. Maybe next time. --
(Mike Bugaj, Enfield, CT USA, May 15, WTFDA gg via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. Reception of ABC Radio Australia in French, weak but audible 0900-0905 on 12065 SHP 100 kW / 355 deg to EaAs Mon-Fri; English Sat/Sun. No signal on parallel frequencies 9580 & 12085 to Pacific, video May 13:
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/abc-radio-australia-in-french.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015
via DXLD)

9580, Friday May 15 at 1343, R. Australia, 'Keys to Music' about Mozart's Last Year, recognized as same episode aired May 8. Then I was surprised to hear it, as website claimed it was to be following week, so May 8 airing must have been a mistake. Original airdate on ABC Classic FM was to be Sunday May 10, so appearing on RA May 8 must have jumped the gun, losing the previous episode, ``There's Something About Carmen''. However we may still listen to both of them for 4 or 3 weeks via <http://www.abc.net.au/classic/program/keystomusic/>
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Australia vs China Radio International:
0730-0800 on 17840 SHP 100 kW / 070 deg to EPac Tok Pisin Mon-Fri RA
0730-0800 on 17840 SHP 100 kW / 070 deg to EPac English Sat/Sun RA
0700-0900 on 17840 KAS 100 kW / 174 deg to SoAs Chinese CRI
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/radio-australia-vs-china-radio.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, May 18 dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12085, May 19 at 1336, no signal from RA! But still on 12065 with CCI, and // 9580 clear with African music at the moment on 'The Daily Planet'. 12085 is on the 30 degree beam across the Pacific to Alaska, but also reaches rest of North America well. Wonder what happened? Ron Howard says it was missing both May 19 and 20. I see it is still on the RA website schedule at 09-21 UT. It's the same antenna/transmitter as on 15240 at 21-09; is that missing too? No, May 21 at 0317 check. Every bit counts with only three transmitters left at its disposal.

You'd think if one of them failed, an idle one could be upfired. I wonder if this is anything to do with the strange noise I was hearing around (or out of?) 12085 on May 13 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[non-log]. 12085, RA via Shepparton noted off the air on May 19, at 1201 and subsequent checking; 9580 & 12065 doing fine,

12085, RA via Shepparton noted again off the air on May 20, at 1211 and subsequent checking; 9580 & 12065 doing fine (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12085, RA (Shepparton) 1331+ 21 May. After being off on 20 May at 1435 check (and tnx Glenn's tip), RA back to regular sked today (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. 15340, Reach Beyond Australia at 1440 UT with station ID, then the program "Words for Women". Very Good May 16 2015. 73 (Mick Delmage, Sherwood Park, AB, Rx: Collins HF2050; Ant KLM 7-30 MHz Log Periodic; DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15200, Sunday May 17 at 1118, good signal in slow English, talking about GPI teaching women to write journalistic stories and take photos. It's RBA, 100 kW, 320 degrees from Kununurra, scheduled 1115-1130 in English on Sun/Mon/Tue/Thu, per Aoki. What's GPI? Too many options in searching on that abbr. And searching within the RBA website gets zero hits (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, In case you're still wondering, GPI stands for Global Press Institute. I searched Google for "GPI women journalism". Cheers (David Freeborough, May 18, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 15340, RBA (Kununurra)/SOH, 1419-45+ 21 May. Surprised to find SOH all alone this morning 1419-1424+, with RBA showing up by 1439 with end of Urdu programme and into English with SOH fading down. Transmitter problem or just odd propagation? (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA, G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BANGLADESH. Good reception of Bangladesh Betar Home Service on May 16 till 1705 on 4750 SHV 100 kW / non-dir to SoAs Bangla, video: <http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/good-reception-of-bangladesh-betar-home.html> (DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015 via DXLD)

** BHUTAN. 6034.96, BBS (presumed), 1239-1303, May 18. In vernacular; 1243-1259 indigenous music/singing; adjacent QRM; above average

reception due, I suspect, to nice gray line reception; my local sunrise was 1258 and Thimphu sunset was 1244 UT. Almost no QRM from PBS Yunnan (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. CQ, CQ, CQ; Aquí Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano; todas las horas son UT. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

6025.00, R. Patria Nueva, La Paz; 6/05 2340-0005, 44444, programa Bolivia Informa, news en cadena con otras emisoras del interior del país, ID iPatria Nuevaí

La recepción la he efectuado del 2/05 al 17/05 en compañía de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompañado del Mizuho KX-3, MFJ-1025 con antena auxiliar, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop y ahora también con un ELAD FDM-S1, antena Mini Whip y Splitter ASA 4 x 2, (Gracias mil a los colegas integrantes del MCDXT (locos sombalo de la ionosfera) quienes en coordinación con Francesco Clemente, hicieron posible la llegada de estos equipos a mi QTH). NOTA: Para un mejor escucha de las grabaciones que adjunto, sugiero escuchar con los auriculares. Muchos 218is PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Per', CHASQUI DX PFA ñ MAYO 2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also BRAZIL, COLOMBIA, CUBA, ECUADOR, GUATEMALA, PERU

** BOLIVIA. Lunedì 11 maggio 2015, 0417 - 6155.1 Blank carrier. Always Bolivia? SF-IN (SWL I1-0799GE, Luca Botto Fiora, QTH Rapallo (Genova) - Italia, G.C. 44° 21' 06.89" N / 09° 13' 30.94" E, bclnews.it yg via DXLD) That's what I assume, usually as het to Austria later (gh, DXLD)

** BRAZIL. Hora Certa na Rádio Educadora de Limeira, 2380 kHz, Ondas Tropicais 120 Metros, MX OM [Na Educadora s,º o 04:36 da manhã,] 0736 UT, SINPO 35222, dia 18/05

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nUjqCwmWrFk&feature=youtu.be>

2380, Rádio Educadora Limeira, S,º o Paulo, 0522 UT com várias MXs Sertaneja, SINPO 25222. RX Tecsun S-2000, Antena Long wire 450 Metros Horizontal

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r_Fp2DTZPU

(Daniel Wylyans, Nova Xavantina MT, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

EDUCADORA DE LIMEIRA - 2380 kHz - 126 METROS. A RÁDIO EDUCADORA DE LIMEIRA VOLTOU AO AR FAZ ALGUNS DIAS EM 2380 kHz COM POUCA POTÊNCIA (200 WATTS MAIS OU MENOS) E PERMANECE NO AR MESMO DURANTE O DIA. A EDUCADORA ... A RÁDIO QUE AINDA INSISTE A TRANSMITIR NA FAIXA DE 126 METROS. QUANTO à RÁDIO APARECIDA, POR ENQUANTO, S" ... OUVIDA EM 31

METROS. FORTE 73 (LUIZ CHAINE NETO, LIMEIRA -SP-, 18-5-2015,
radioescutas yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

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4765.00, BRASIL, R. Integração, Cruzeiro do Sul; 3/05 0005-0020, 44444, mx, varias advs, ID "Integração lo tiene [sic]" mx, ID ``Radio Integración [sic], Esta es la r·dio". [you mean it was in Spanish or mixed in Spanish?? It is close to the border -- gh]

4845.00, BRASIL, R. Cultural Ondas Tropicais, Manaus; 4/05 0055-0135, 33333, mx en forma continua, la radio, no dan ID.

4865.00, BRASIL, R. Verde Floresta [sic], Acre; 3/05 1120-1145, 44444, mx varias advs, ID "R·dio Verde Floresta" [sic], transmisión de la Santa Misa.

4885.00, BRASIL, R. Clube do Par·, Belém, PA; 11/05 0002-0020, 22222, programa noticiero (4845.86), ID Club do Par·

4925.20, BRASIL, R. Educação Rural, Tefé, 11/05 0045-0105, 33333, ID iR·dio Educaçõi ID (escuchar grabación adjunta)

4965.00, BRASIL, R. Alvorada, Parintins; 3/05 0025-0045, 44444, ads, px Magasin, les informamos en horarios especiales, mx, varias ads.

9630.026, BRASIL, R. Aparecida, Aparecida, SP, 13/05 0315-0340, 33333, NOTA: antes 9629.71, ID iAparecidaí, luego m·s adelante ID, mx, ID iR·dio Aparecidaí, programa Oraciún y noticia, mx

9645.409, BRASIL, R. Bandeirantes, San Pablo; 13/05 0245-0310, 33333, px transmisión de partido de f·tbol, ID iRadio Bandeirantesí, mx

11780.14 BRASIL, R. Nacional da Amazônia, Brasília; 17/05 0405-0420, 44444, mx varias, mx, ID iPor R·dio Nacional de Brasili

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DX PFA ñ MAYO 2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also BOLIVIA, COLOMBIA, CUBA, ECUADOR, GUATEMALA, PERU

** BRAZIL. BRASIL, 4885, R·dio Clube do Par·, BelÈm PA, 2245-2247, escuchada el 16 de mayo de 2015 en portuguÈs a locutores con cuÒas publicitarias, locutor con comentarios, SINPO 23332

4885, R·dio Clube do Par·, BelÈm PA, 0558-0512, escuchada el 17 de mayo de 2015 en portuguÈs a locutor con comentarios, posiblemente noticias y emisiÛn musical, SINPO 34433 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, SacaÒet (CastellÛn), EspaÑa, YAESU FRG-7700, Antena hilo 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4885, R·dio Clube do Par·, BelÈm, 0445-0540, 17-05, Brazilian songs and comments, Portuguese. Very irregular this station in the early morning here in Spain, too many days out air, only some Saturdays can be heard at this time. 14321 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Grundig Satellit 500, Tecsun PL-880, Sony ICF SW 7600G, Cable antenna, 8 meters and Degen 31MS active loop antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 5035.05, Aparecida?? Signal came on here just after Quillabamba at 0956:02. Couldnt get any audio and faded by 1004. (20 May) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, HCDX via DXLD) Or not:::

** BRAZIL. 5035, R·dio EducaÅ,o Rural, Coari, Amazonas, OM Ann casas meireles, mercado econÛmico de Coari, abraÅos aos ouvintes 1046 UT, 19/05, SINPO 35233. Nota: R·dio Aparecida off

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qxFutI6sGPk&feature=youtu.be>
RX: Tecsun S-2000 Antena Long wire 450 Metros HorizontalDexistia:
(Daniel Wylyans, Nova Xavantina MT, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

** BRAZIL. Domenica 17 maggio 2015 (VR5000):
0435 - 9629.94 R. APARECIDA (B), PP, tk OM. SF
0441 - 11780.12 RN DA AMAZONIA (B), pop YL locale. SF-BN
0444 - 11815.02 R. BRASIL CENTRAL (B), t/a OM "Uma e 44". SF-IN
0446 - 11855.20 R. APARECIDA (B) in // 31 metros. SF-IN

SEGNAL-SIGNAL

JBA - Portante-Carrier
IN - Insufficiente-Poor
SF - Sufficiente-Fair
BN - Buono-Good
MB - Molto Buono-Very Good

(SWL I1-0799GE, Luca Botto Fiora, QTH Rapallo (Genova) - Italia, G.C.

44 21' 06.89" N / 09 13' 30.94" E, playdx yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 11815, R^ádio Brasil Central, RBC, Goiⁿia Goi^s, received 535 km, com spurious da RNA, 1200 UT em 13 de maio
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7dqHUnEnNbw&feature=youtu.be>
(Daniel wyllians, MT, May 15, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11745 & 11815, May 16 at 0157, crackling spurs from 11780.1v RNA/RNB; no trace of RBC under it on 11815 now (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 15190, R^ádio Inconfid^ãncia, Belo Horizonte, 0555-0620, 16-05, program "Mem^ãria Nacional" conducted by Regina Palla, comments and music. 24322 (Manuel M^ãndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Grundig Satellit 500, Tecsun PL-880, Sony ICF SW 7600G, Cable antenna, 8 meters and Degen 31MS active loop antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BULGARIA 11510 / 23020, Radyoya Denge Kurdistane, program from FMO frequency management organization BRB - Broadcast Belgium, of Ludo Maes, observed around 1615 UT on May 15th on harmonic strange frequency channel 23020 kHz too.

According Aoki list show 11510 kHz scheduled 13-17 UT as via Bulgarian Spaceline Ltd. Kostinbrod relay site. Latter broadcast center uses very old former USSR transmitter gear, which produces often disturbed audio quality and on this service a harmonic on 23 MHz range.

On 11510 kHz is visible some 17.6 kHz wide range signal of disturbed audio at S=9 level in southern Germany. And also HARMONIC on 23020 kHz of S=7 signal level, and 2 x 8.2 kHz wide range un-clean audio too (Wolfgang B^üschel, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SECRETLAND, Denge Kurdistan via Secretbrod on May 17 1300-1700 on 11510 SCB 100 kW / 090 deg to WeAs Kurdish plus spurs on 11490 and 11530 plus second harmonic on 23020
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/denge-kurdistan-via-secretbrod.html>-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 18, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BULGARIA. 13800, 17/5 2120-2126*, Radio Spaceshuttle, end broadcast, s.off (Giampiero Bernardini, Italy, playdx yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD) See mainly NETHERLANDS [non]

** BURUNDI. Deja de emitir Radio Nacional de Burundi --- La radio Nacional de Burundi dej^ã de emitir este jueves, en momentos en que golpistas burundeses intentaban apoderarse de los locales de este

medio de comunicaciÛn y expulsar de allí a soldados leales al presidente Pierre Nkurunziza....

<http://eleconomista.com.mx/internacional/2015/05/14/deja-emitir-radio-nacional-burundi>

(via JosÈ Miguel Romero2, May 14, dxldyg via DXLD) Presumably overtaken by events, back in biz like Pres. Pierre (gh, DXLD) Viz.:

Hello friends, I send you some articles about the coup attempt took place on 13th May, 2015 in the capital, Bujumbura, Burundi and ended on Friday, 15th of May 2015 with surrendering of the mutineers. The coup's aim was to remove the current president, Pierre Nkurunziza from power.

The coup was announced on 2 private FM radio stations: Bonesha FM and Radio Publique Africaine (RPA). As the coup attempt failed, RPA's leader fled the country.

In the articles one of these radio stations was mentioned as African Public Radio (RPA). Unfortunately, the articles translated the radiostation's original French name, Radio Publique Africaine (RPA) to English. In my opinion the result is an unintended consequence: changing the radio station's name. If you GOOGLE search this station on its English name thinking this is an English-language radio, you will get hardly any results since this is not an English language radio station.

Another flaw is that they loosely refer to the name of the state-owned radio station, Radio-TÈlÈvision Nationale du Burundi (RTBN). Now I'd like to ask native English speakers to see the last article because I don't understand where station director Jerome Nzokirantevye works. Do I think well that he works for RTBN?

During the coup attempt 3 radio stations were attacked:

- 1 pro-Nkurunziza station: REMA radio and television station
- 2 anti-Nkurunziza radio station: Bonesha FM and Radio Publique Africaine (RPA).

I think all mentioned stations are FM stations and no mediumwave or shortwave stations in Burundi.

I hope this will help you to understand the news made by international news wires coming out of Burundi. I'm not an expert in Burundian affairs. It is possible that this article contains some errors, so, if yes, you shall point them out, this will be helpful for every of us. It were better if these big media organizations with meaningful resources would not be lazy to report at least radio and television station names accurately.

Note: I divided the articles with a `` sign. If you want to jump from one to another, please search the ` sign. The drawback is that this sign is used in texts too in the english language. I use ` sign personally since it is not used in my native language. So, this is arbitrary from my part, sooooorrrrryyyyy!

Regards, Tibor Gaal, Budapest, Hungary
And now, the articles:

<http://www.nation.co.ke>
Daily Nation (Nairobi)

GUN CLASHES RAGE ON IN BURUNDI AS RADIO STATION ATTACKED
Posted Thursday, May 14, 2015 | by- MOSES HAVYARIMANA

BUJUMBURA, Thursday --- Burundi's influential independent African Public Radio (RPA) station came under attack amid the confusion over the coup against President Pierre Nkurunziza.

The RPA station was hit by a rocket and set ablaze by pro-Nkurunziza police and ruling party youth, according to media boss and rights activist Innocent Muhozi.

RPA, which was closed by the government at the start of the anti-Nkurunziza protests, had only resumed broadcast a few hours earlier before it was bombed.

Several other radio stations were attacked overnight, hours after protesters torched Rema radio and television, which is associated with the ruling party.

"We condemn the attacks on media houses and they should let the media operate freely," said Mr Alexandre Niyungeko, the chair of the Burundi Journalists Union.

Mr Niyungeko pointed out that he did not know who attacked which stations, but regretted that they happened despite the army's promise of security everywhere.

Meanwhile, gun battles continued in the capital Bujumbura between those for and against the overthrow of President Nkurunziza.

The army in Burundi Wednesday announced a coup d'etat against President Nkurunziza's government.

WANT BLOODSHED

General Godefroid Niyombare, a powerful former intelligence chief,

announced the coup attempt on radio hours after the president left for a Burundi mediation summit in Tanzania.

President Nkurunziza, in a Twitter message, called for calm and said the situation in the country was under control.

However, the Burundi leader remains in Dar es Salaam after soldiers behind the coup announcement took over the airport and stopped him from flying back to the country after the aborted regional summit in Tanzania.

Laurent Kavakure, Burundi's Minister of Foreign Affairs said in Dar es Salaam that the "ousted" president would be going back to Burundi later on Thursday.

The minister spoke at Serena Hotel in Dar where the Burundi leader had also been accommodated after failing to fly back to Bujumbura.

Mr Kavakure did not say how the Mr Nkurunziza would get back to the crisis-torn country. The president's whereabouts on Thursday morning was not disclosed.

Tanzania's Foreign Affairs minister Bernard Membe separately told journalists he did not know where Mr Nkurunziza was.

ARMY DIVIDED

The army is divided, with the coup plotters holding the airport while the Nkurunziza loyalists are reported to be in charge of the national radio and television.

Army Chief of Staff Maj-Gen Prime Niyongabo took to the national radio to condemn the coup.

"We are going to make sure that the army stays united and we will do our best to capture those who have declared a coup against President Nkurunziza," he said.

However, Maj-Gen Niyombaré said troops under his command would seek to seize the broadcaster, seen as an important asset in mobilising national support.

"We didn't want bloodshed yesterday since it was still the first day, but what we can say is that soon we are going to attack the premises," said one of the army generals.

FACTS ON BURUNDI

- * Colonised by the Belgians, French is the most spoken language although Burundians have been slowly adopting English to be fully part of the EAC.
- * Gained independence on July 1, 1962 and established a constitutional monarch but ethnic violence between Hutus and Tutsis erupted a year later forcing thousands of Hutus to flee to neighbouring Rwanda.
- * Has a gross domestic product per capita of just \$268, making it the poorest country in the East African Community.
- * Burundi has only known full peace since 2008 after Nkurunziza's government signed a ceasefire agreement with last rebel groups, Palipehutu-FNL.
- * Has had six coups and coup attempts, the first attempt against its then monarch Mwami Mwambutsa IV was in 1965 but which was violently suppressed. The last coup was in 1996 by Pierre Buyoya, the same man who had engineered a similar coup in 1988.
- * In 1966, Mwambutsa was deposed by his son Prince Ntare who would be deposed the same year by then Tutsi Prime Minister Michel Micombero in November.
- * Micombero ruled for ten years before being deposed by then Burundian Deputy Chief of Staff Jean-Baptiste Bagaza in another military coup.
- * In 1981, Burundi became a one-party state but another coup engineered by Pierre Buyoya deposed Bagaza in 1998. This would be the fourth such coup but which resulted in another spate of violence.
- * A new constitution in 1992 was adopted after a referendum to return to multi-party system.
- * In 1993, Burundians elected Melchior Ndadaye who became the first elected President in that country's history. He would be assassinated the same year.
- * Burundi has had one prime minister (Pierre Ngendandumwe) and two presidents assassinated; Ngendandumwe was killed in 1965 followed a political squabble over his post.
- * Mr Ndadaye was assassinated in October 1993 by Tutsi soldiers while Cyprien Ntaryamira who replaced him through a parliamentary appointment was killed after a plane which was also carrying Rwandan president Juvenal Habyarimana was shot down over Kigali in April 1994.

- * The shooting of the plane led to civil war which claimed about 250,000 Burundian lives.
- * In 1997, regional countries imposed economic sanctions for the first time on Burundi, forcing rebels to negotiate for peace in Arusha, Tanzania.
- * 17 parties signed the Arusha Accord in 2000 and in 2001, Buyoya became the transitional president.
- * In 2005, Nkurunziza was endorsed in 2005 endorsed by legislators to be president for five years in a power-sharing deal that was meant to absorb all the ethnic communities in the country.

Rwanda Focus (Kigali)

BURUNDI: REINFORCEMENTS FOR PUTSCHISTS ON THE MOVE TO BUJUMBURA 14 May 2015 By Theophile Harushyamagara

The Rwanda Focus sources in the Burundi capital Bujumbura have reported that troops from Camp Mwaro, are now moving to Bujumbura with heavy reinforcement in support of the coup. Ngozi town has already fallen to soldiers backing the coup while the Presidential palace is in the hands of soldiers loyal to the coup leader, Gen. Godefroid Niyombare. This confirms earlier reports The Rwanda Focus was getting from Bujumbura that Camp Ngozi was supporting the coup.

The estranged President of Burundi, Pierre Nkurunziza, has been unable to return home following an attempted coup that took place while he was out of the country. The BBC reports that Nkurunziza has returned to Tanzania where he was attending a 13th EAC extra ordinary summit.

Nkurunziza flew back from a summit in Tanzania, but the airport had been sealed off to stop him from landing. His plane reportedly returned to Tanzania.

Meanwhile, Esdras Ndikumana, a Radio France International (RFI) correspondent in Burundi, reported that heavy fighting has been taking place in the Burundian capital this morning between soldiers loyal to the president and those who back the coup.

Confusion remains as to whether the coup has been successful or not.

Nkurunziza was expected to return to Bujumbura on Wednesday evening but the coup leader, Maj. Gen. Godefroid Niyombare, said he was not welcome.

But Gen. Prime Niyongabo , the Burundi Armed Forces chief and

Nkurunziza loyalist, said in a radio broadcast that the coup had been quelled.

Shortly after Nkurunziza left Tanzania, Jakaya Kikwete, the current president of the East African Community (EAC), read out a statement condemning the "coup" and called for a return to constitutional rule.

According to RFI reports, protestors last evening burnt down REMA, a pro-Nkurunziza radio station and in the early hours of the morning, Imbonerakure, a youth militia loyal to the ruling party, reiterated by hurling grenades at Bonesha FM and firing a rocket at RPA, the two private radio stations which were used by Gen. Niyombare to dismiss Nkurunziza's government.

The BBC reported that Nkurunziza's loyalists still control the Presidential palace and main radio offices.

While announcing the coup yesterday, Niyombare denounced Nkurunziza's leadership, saying the President's third term bid violated the Constitution.

"The masses vigorously and tenaciously reject President Nkurunziza's third-term mandate. President Nkurunziza has been relieved of his duties and his government has been overthrown," Gen. Niyombare said before ordering the closure of the airport to prevent President Nkurunziza's plane from landing.

Condemnations

The EAC summit has condemned the coup and called for a return to constitutional order, a statement issued yesterday from EAC secretariat reads.

It adds: "The situation in Burundi is not conducive for elections and the summit calls upon the authorities to postpone the elections for a period not beyond the mandate of the current government. As the region continues to consult with all stakeholders to make sure that the situation in Burundi normalizes and elections can be held in a free, fair and peaceful manner in respect of the Constitution of Burundi, the laws of Burundi and the Arusha peace and reconciliation agreement, the summit condemns violence and calls on all parties to make sure that violence stops."

The EAC warned that the region will not hesitate to intervene if violence escalates in Burundi.

Meanwhile, the chairwoman of the Commission of the African Union (AU), Dr. Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma, has condemned the coup in Burundi, saying

it violates the rule of law and democracy as enshrined in the Constitutive Act and the African Charter on Democracy, Elections and Governance.

"In this respect, the Chairperson condemns in the strongest terms the coup attempt in Bujumbura, calls for the return to constitutional order and urges all stakeholders to exercise restraint and refrain from any act of violence likely to lead to further loss of lives, population displacement and destruction of property," the AU press release reads.

Zuma reiterated the AU's appeal to all the Burundian stakeholders, within the framework of the country's Constitution and in the spirit of the Arusha Peace and Reconciliation Agreement to accept the recommendations of the EAC summit, end all acts of violence and intimidation, respect fundamental human rights and freedoms and engage in genuine dialogue which will contribute to peace and stability in Burundi and create a conducive atmosphere for free and fair elections.

<http://www.bbcnews.com>

BURUNDI COUP BID: PRESIDENT RETURNS TO BUJUMBURA --- 14 May 2015

Burundi's President Pierre Nkurunziza has returned to the country and his troops say they are in control of key locations, a day after a coup attempt. Mr Nkurunziza announced his return on the Burundi presidency Twitter site.

There were earlier fierce clashes in the capital, Bujumbura, particularly at the state radio office, but they are now said to have subsided. Five soldiers are reported killed.

Mr Nkurunziza had been in Tanzania when the coup began on Wednesday. There has been no new statement from the general who announced the coup. Protests began in Burundi on 26 April when Mr Nkurunziza said he was seeking a third term, a move his opponents said was unconstitutional.

The coup was launched by Maj Gen Godefroid Niyombare, a former ally of the president, on Wednesday after Mr Nkurunziza travelled to Dar es Salaam, Tanzania's largest city, to attend a summit on the crisis.

Timeline of events

Reports late on Wednesday said the president had tried to fly back to Burundi but was forced to return to Tanzania as he could not land.

However, Burundian presidential spokesman Willy Nyamitwe told the BBC

on Thursday that the president had left Tanzania and was "safe and sound".

He later confirmed that Mr Nkurunziza was in Burundi but would give no more details due to "security reasons".

He had earlier told Radio France Internationale: "The loyalist army is present, his advisers are present and the government is present. The country, then, continues to function."

'Fighting has stopped'

Army chief of staff Gen Prime Niyongabo told the BBC's Maud Jullien the number of soldiers backing the coup had fallen.

"On Wednesday evening we gave them the chance to rejoin the army to avoid a bloodbath. But they tried to attack the radio station today - the army repelled the attack.

"We are in control of all strategic points in the country. Burundi is a democratic nation. The army does not interfere in politics. We are obliged to follow the constitution."

BBC correspondents say the streets seem to be mainly in the control of loyalist police, and the airport has reopened, which would appear to confirm reports it too is in loyalist hands.

However, coup spokesman Venon Ndabaneze earlier insisted insurgent troops were in control of "virtually the entire city".

Fighting erupted at the state radio building after the {Radio-Télévision Nationale du Burundi - RTBN} station had broadcast a message from Mr Nkurunziza condemning the coup.

"I thank soldiers who are putting things in order, and I forgive any soldier who decides to surrender," he said.

At the scene: Ruth Nesoba in Bujumbura

It is quiet in the streets in the centre of Bujumbura at the moment and I can see that some people have ventured out.

In the morning we woke to the news that the loyalists had launched an attack on private radio stations, which were taken off air, and then there was a struggle between rival factions in the army over control of the national broadcaster. The TV is not on air, but radio is playing Kirundi music. The broadcasts have been on and off.

There is no confirmation about the whereabouts of Gen Niyombare and we have not heard from him since his announcement of the coup on private radio on Wednesday.

The station briefly stopped broadcasting during the attack. But station director Jerome Nzokirantevye was soon back on air, saying: "Now the fighting has stopped we can resume. It is still loyalist soldiers who are in control."

Control of the national broadcaster is key because it is the only outlet still broadcasting outside the capital.

The two private radio stations have been shut down. The most popular - Radio Publique Africaine - was burnt down overnight after broadcasting the coup announcement.

Thousands of people had taken to the streets on Wednesday to celebrate the announcement of the coup, marching on the centre of Bujumbura alongside soldiers.

Tens of thousands flee

The unrest began after the 51-year-old president said he would run for re-election in June. Opponents said this contravened the constitution, which states a president can only be elected to two terms.

Mr Nkurunziza argued he was entitled to a third term because he was first appointed to the role by parliament in 2005, rather than elected. Earlier this month, the country's constitutional court upheld his interpretation.

More than 20 people have died and tens of thousands of Burundians have fled to neighbouring states since the unrest began.

Coup bid leader: Gen Godefroid Niyombare, 46
* Former rebel CNDD-FDD commander and ally of President Nkurunziza
* First ethnic Hutu army chief - a significant step in reconciliation efforts
* A negotiator in peace talks with last rebel group FNL
* Oversaw Burundi's deployment to Somalia as part of African force
* Served as ambassador to Kenya
* Dismissed as intelligence chief in February three months after his appointment
* Dismissal came days after he recommended against the third-term bid

PROMINENT BURUNDI INDEPENDENT RADIO BOSS FLEES COUNTRY: ACTIVIST
Posted Saturday, May 16, 2015 | by- AFP

BUJUMBURA

The head of the prominent Burundian independent radio station RPA has fled the central African country amid a crackdown by security forces loyal to President Pierre Nkurunziza, a rights activist said Saturday.

African Public Radio (RPA) boss Bob Rugurika was subject to threats of jail and even death following a failed coup attempt against President Nkurunziza and "has had to seek shelter in another country," said Innocent Muhozi, head of the Burundian Press Observatory.

Two RPA journalists confirmed to AFP that Rugurika had fled.
(ALL via Tibor Gaal, Hungary, May 18, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CAMBODIA [non]. TAJIKISTAN(non) Voice of Khmer M'Chas Srok, May 14: 1130-1200 on 17860 DB 200 kW / 125 deg to SEAs Khmer Thu/Sun + strong open carrier 17855 till 1142 UTC, probably test of REE Spain, 3 videos <http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/voice-of-khmer-mchas-srok-on-may-14.html>-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 15, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CANADA. CJLI, 700, Calgary, AB noted here with contemporary Christian format. This must be fairly new. Anyone know when this went on? Guess I lost DX frequency (Chris VE6IY (near Edmonton, AB) Dorn, 2138 UT 9 May, IRCA via DXLD)

CJLI 700 must be testing. I had them at 2130 with an ID and music now at 2200 they are an open carrier. Signal is typical for Calgary, so must have some power. Very strange to see a [MW] station coming on in Alberta (Chris VE6IY, 2204 UT 9 May, *ibid.*)

Don't know exactly when but very recent, as it wasn't on when I left on my last business trip. Just an open carrier right now, and much weaker than 50 kW would be, so apparently still in test mode. 73, (who will likely never hear KBYR again, among other things) (Nigel Pimblett, Dunmore, AB, 2208 UT May 9, *ibid.*)

If they are on, there is no sign here, but according to their pattern, they protect Spokane, which nulls me. Maybe at LSS? Calgary is not that far and Calgary booms in here (Patrick Martin, Seaside OR, 0529 UT 10 May, *ibid.*)

They are not on any longer. They concluded the testing around 2200 or so. Don't know when they will be back (Chris VE6IY, 0539 UT 10 May, *ibid.*)

Does anyone have the site for their pattern? Sincerely (Todd Skaine, Woodbury, MN, *ibid.*)

They are shown here:

<http://radio-locator.com/cgi-bin/finder?call=cjli%23&sr=Y&s=C&x=0&y=0>
Best wishes (Barry :-), Carlisle UK, Davies, ibid.)

The 50 kW day and 20 kW night pattern is shown on AM-DX.COM web site in Westlist in the Canadian Calls begin at CJ. It shows alphabetically CJLI. The both day/night patterns are almost identical to aim close to north. It was updated about a week ago, so it should be accurate (Craig Healy, RI, AM-DX.COM, ibid.)

** CANADA. 740, CFZM, ON, Toronto with "the Conspiracy Show" where the host was interviewing the 'head honcho' of the Flat Earth Research Society who claims (apparently seriously!) that we've all been duped into a conspiracy theory that the earth is a spheroid and as we can all clearly see with our own eyes, the Earth is a plane and everything else revolves around us. I know a few people who think everything revolves around them, but this is a first for me. An otherwise apparently rational person from Thailand who insists the world is flat. Too funny.

Lots of 'Zoomer Radio' non-IDs. Going from S10 454+ to 141 with slow deep fades, but mostly listenable as the fades only happened every 10 minutes or so and lasted less than 60 seconds. Using my circa 1936 RCA T6-11 table radio and an indoor loop antenna. 0315-0355 11/May (Ken Zichi, Williamston MI, MARE Tipsheet 15 May via DXLD)

** CHINA [and non]. U.K.(non) Frequency changes BBC Uzbek from May 11 BBC UZbek 1300 on new 17575 SNG on Friday May 15 // new 15180, 17860 are blocked by CNR 1, video (Ivo Ivanov, dxldyg via DXLD)

Frequency changes of BBC in Uzbek from May 11:
Saturday freqeicies: 15500, 17665 and 17735 + video
Frequency changes of BBC World Sce from May 12
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 16, dxldyg via DXLD)

Frequency changes of BBC in Uzbek from May 11:
Sunday freqs: 15180, 17665+CNR 1 and 17760 + video
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/frequency-changes-of-bbc-in-uzbek-from.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 17, ibid.)

** CHINA [and non]. CNR1 jammers, morning of May 15:
17170, May 15 at 1340, CNR1 jammer, poor with flutter; none in 18s
16100, May 15 at 1340, CNR1 jammer, JBA
15970, May 15 at 1341, CNR1 jammer, fair with flutter
14920, May 15 at 1348, CNR1 jammer, very poor with flutter
13980, May 15 at 1350, CNR1 jammer, poor with flutter; no 12s, 11s
10960, May 15 at 1352, CNR1 jammer, fair with flutter, // but a few

seconds behind 15970; so not Sound of Hope, the target (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

16100/15970, CNR1, 1353 15 May. CNR1 jammers loud this morning with both closing at 1400. SOH showing on 15970 at 1407 check with CNR1 back on and in control by 1414 (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

21690, May 17 at 0556, very poor signal, but something is propagating on 13m now in the nightmiddle --- RFA Chinese via TINIAN is here, and of course the CNR1 jammer, but too weak to tell which.

13690, May 17 at 1308, very heavy CCI here between music and Chinese, then the music side make another Chinese announcement. It's VOA Chinese via SAIPAN during this hour only, and CNR1 jamming during the Sunday evening serious music show, as also heard with less CCI on other jammer frequencies, 11785 and 11640, music with full orchestra and traditional instruments (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15394, CNR1, 1503+ 21 May. Nothing in Aoki indicates a possible CNR1 target near here at this time, so what's up? (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 9820 kHz close-down at 1600 UT, V of Beibu Bay Radio, but also a spurious BUZZ tone 'fence' heard and seen, 8 strings x 100 Hertz distance apart either sideband. Originate from Nanning broadcast transmitter center #954. S=9+5dB or -68dBm signal noted on remote unit downunder in Queensland. Aoki list mentions Vietnamese at 15-16 UT, but I heard rather Chinese language service??? (Wolfgang B.schel, 1607 UT May 15, dxld yg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

More temporary suspended frequencies of China Domestic Services
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/more-temporary-suspended-frequencies-of.html>

-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, May 19, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CHINA. 11680, CRI likely, May 16, 1503-1520, in Chinese. Constant Chinese music of a choral and orchestral mix, probably a placeholder for the frequency. No commentary whatever. Not consistent with iFiredrakeî jamming. This is pleasant, perfectly listenable music (Vince Henley, Anacortes, WA. Equipment currently in use: Tecsun PL-380, JRC NRD-525, Drake R8B. Antennas are half-meter whip on PL-380 and Alpha-Delta DX-Ultra installed broadside east-west, NASWA Flashesheet May 17 via DXLD)

More likely KCBS which operates 22 hours a day on 11680; North Korea features a lot of 'pleasant' choral music, but surely in Korean, not Chinese on this domestic service (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [non]. 890, KTXV, Mabank, TX was ethnic, now ethnic/talk, adds China Radio International, old slogan: iRadio Saigon Houstonî, new: iCRI Englishî (Robert Wien, Broadcasting Information, IRCA DX Monitor May 23 via DXLD)

1520, May 17 at 1132 UT, KYND Cypress (Houston) TX with CRI English, axually atop KOKC OKC, then fighting it out; hard to separate them at almost same azimuth from here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COLOMBIA. 5910, Alcavaran [sic] Radio with Latin pops and EZL music, including at least one with English religious content and at least two clear 'Alcavar·n [sic] Radio' clear IDs & mention of 'Onda Corta' at 0527 ID. 3+4443 ALMOST an 0=3+ 0510-0610 12/May (Ken Zichi, Williamston MI, MARE Tipsheet 15 May via DXLD)

CQ, CQ, CQ --- Aquí Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano; todas las horas son UT. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

5910.06, Alcarav·n Radio, Puerto Lleras; 13/05 2255-2215, 33333, mx varias. A las 2300 UT tocan Himno Nacional de Colombia, ID iAlcarav·n radioî, programa religioso.

6010.00, La Voz de tu Conciencia, Bogot·; 5/05 0305-0325, 33333, mx LA varias en forma continua, ID iLa Voz de tu Concienciaî.

La recepcióñ la he efectuado del 2/05 al 17/05 en compaÑía de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÑado del Mizuho KX-3, MFJ-1025 con antena auxiliar, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop y ahora tambiéñ con un ELAD FDM-S1, antena Mini Whip y Splitter ASA 4 x 2, (Gracias mil a los colegas integrantes del MCDXT (locos son·mbulo de la ionosfera) quienes en coordinacióñ con Francesco Clemente, hicieron posible la llegada de estos equipos a mi QTH). NOTA: Para un mejor escucha de las grabaciones que adjunto, sugiero escuchar con los audífonos. Muchos 218ís PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Per·, CHASQUI DX PFA ñ MAYO 2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, CUBA, ECUADOR, GUATEMALA, PERU

** COLOMBIA [and non]. The last year or so has been absolutely instrumental to me because doing all this TV research has really helped me with my Mexican history and geography, not to mention my Spanish.

My first contacts here about Latin American DX actually were done in 2013. I spotted an egregious out of date logo (15 years!) on Danny's page and emailed about it. The logo was for Colombia's Canal A, which

not only had ditched that logo in 1999 but had been renamed in 2004 (after the collapse of the Colombian mixed structure television system). I emailed about it and ended up in contact not just with Danny but with Christopher Dunne, who had me confirm something related to one of his own DX catches in the 90s (he had netted Canal A around 1995 or so).

What happened in Colombia is just a rare species. The television system was dominated by the state until the summer of 1998 when two new fully private TV networks took to the air. The problem is that meting out chunks of time to different production companies did not produce big, vertically integrated and stable broadcasters, and the 1997 auction took two of the three best and ripped them right out of the system. From there the Asian/Latin American economic crisis of 1998 kicked in and much of the system collapsed within five years.

The government ended up having to liquidate and replace the state broadcaster as well, because its pension liabilities grew to be too much. Canal A is now Señal Institucional, which in turn spends half its week running Colombian C-SPAN and the other half running boring public affairs programming. (I wrote the Wikipedia articles that deal with this aspect of Colombian television history, which represented the first English-language explanation of the system and its collapse.)

Eventually I realized there was a lot of Mexico information missing, and with the digital transition ahead and major legal changes in progress, there was a lot to put out there. I ran into the DXer forum, then the general forum, learned what a shadow channel was, read boatloads of concessions and other documents, and joined these forums. Since then I've been able to do some amazing things when it comes to keeping the community up to date and I've seen the progress Mexico has made in its digital transition. Seriously, they are actually looking competent. [tag:] I speak Spanish so you don't have to (Raymie Humbert, AZ, May 18, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

** COLOMBIA. Colombia TV call signs --- The encouraging trend of countries sending in official data to the ITU continues.

Colombia has recently sent in TV station data for the northern part of the country and it includes call signs! Gone are the 4-letter HJRN-TV, etc. Now, just like the Jamaican FMs and the Nicaraguan TVs/FMs, they use odd 7-character call signs.

The common channels 2 and 4 Santa Marta are actually 5JA5186 and 5JA5166 respectively. Note they use Colombia's other ITU prefix assignment of 5J rather than HJ.

So far only data for the NE has been published, but I'm hoping more will come in soon. The UHF digitals are listed too with similar call signs (all seen so far start with either 5JA or 5JE).

I've updated the list on my website ...

<http://dxinfocentre.com/tv-sam.htm#CLM>

(Bill Hepburn, May 16, WTFDA gg via DXLD) See also GUATEMALA

I'll bet such mouthfuls are never audibly announced, and probably not visually either, just for the bureaucrats (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CONGO DR. May 16: Radio CANDIP in French to Af 1732 on 5066.4 Bunia

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S8aiCzONFMw&feature=youtu.be>

(Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CONGO DEM. REP. Weak reception of Radio CANDIP Bunia:

from 1732 on 5066.4 BUN 001 kW / non-dir to COD French

<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/weak-reception-of-radio-candip-on-may-16.html>

-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, May 16, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CUBA. [Re 15-19:] ``1570 MW, Enciclopedia (presumed), las Tunas, 0300, May 01, Spanish news read by man and lady, often mentioned iLa Habanaî and iCubaî, reception with rod antenna, 23432 (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, DSWCI DX Window May 13 via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)``

WRTH lists no Cubans on 1570, and few elsewhere in the 1500s (gh)

Enci never airs newscasts or anything other than refreshingly music-based entertainment from the otherwise Commie dominated radio waves of Cuba, and the announcer is always a female voice. However there is, or at least was an Enci on 1570. See these archival logs of mine:

1570 CUBA Radio Enciclopedia, unknown site. 2035-2100 September 8, 2010. Kenny G song, paralleled to 530. Extremely poor and very tight null against the Auburndale and another station. First log of this for me since February, 2000 and, if I recall for Paul, since 2005. No other old Enciclopedia channels heard. Logged on Paul's DX-398 portable, coupled to the RadioShack non-active loop on the spice rack base rotator. (Zecchino/Krueger at Zecchino's QTH, Manasota Key, FL)

1570 CUBA Radio Enciclopedia, Las Tunas (per WRTVH 2010). 0930-0935 September 11, 2010. Orchestral movie score, a fragment popping through all the co-channel, in parallel 530. This is the one re-discovered on September 8, daytime, at Paul Zecchino's Manasota Key monitoring station.

1570 CUBA Radio Encyclopedia, unknown site. 0047 March 1, 2012.
Threshold but definite parallel to 530 with EZL instrumentals, female
announcer under several others. This one has been here for quite
awhile per my records, but not on the Molano list.

(Terry L Krueger, Clearwater FL, Florida Low Power Radio Stations
[including CUBAN info too]:
<https://sites.google.com/site/floridadxn/florida-low-power-radio-stations>
May 18, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. CQ, CQ, CQ --- Aquí Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo
con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano; todas las horas
son UT. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus
lo siguiente:

4765.00, R. Progreso Cadena Nacional, La Habana; 9/05 0320-0340,
33333, mx variada, ID Radio Progreso cadena nacional, desde la Habana
(escuchar grabaciÛn adjunta)

La recepcióñ la he efectuado del 2/05 al 17/05 en compaÑía de mi
sabueso Icom IC R72 acompañado del Mizuho KX-3, MFJ-1025 con antena
auxiliar, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop y
ahora tambi n con un ELAD FDM-S1, antena Mini Whip y Splitter ASA 4 x
2, (Gracias mil a los colegas integrantes del MCDXT (locos son·mbulo
de la ionosfera) quienes en coordinaciÛn con Francesco Clemente,
hicieron posible la llegada de estos equipos a mi QTH). NOTA: Para un
mejor escucha de las grabaciones que adjunto, sugiero escuchar con los
audifonos. Muchos 218is PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Per', CHASQUI
DX PFA ñ MAYO 2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also BOLIVIA, BRAZIL,
COLOMBIA, ECUADOR, GUATEMALA, PERU

** CUBA. 13640, RHC, May 14, 2238-2243, in Spanish conversational
format program. Relatively poor signal and difficult copy, but did
hear positive ID and several mentions of Havana (Vince Henley,
Anacortes, WA. Equipment currently in use: Tecsun PL-380, JRC NRD-525,
Drake R8B. Antennas are half-meter whip on PL-380 and Alpha-Delta DX-
Ultra installed broadside east-west, NASWA Flashesheet May 17 via DXLD)

Your typo or theirs? Should be 13740 (gh, DXLD)

15700, CUBA, RHC, May 13, 1422-1426. M&F in English discussion /
interview format, moderate QRN, deep QSB. Not pleasant or easy to
listen to.

[+] May 17, 1428-1430, in English from Havana. iRound Tableí program
with M&F commentators. Good signal, but not as strong or as clear as
usual (Vince Henley, Anacortes, WA. Equipment currently in use: Tecsun

PL-380, JRC NRD-525, Drake R8B. Antennas are half-meter whip on PL-380 and Alpha-Delta DX-Ultra installed broadside east-west, NASWA Flashesheet May 17 via DXLD)

15700, is CRI relay, not RHC, which does not have any English in the mornings, unless this was a big SNAFU as is possible (gh, DXLD)

11840, May 15 at 0516, strong open carrier/dead air, obviously RHC having failed to turn it off at 0500 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. RHC Spanish at 1100-1145 UT May 15:

Scheduled RHC 11860 kHz from Bauta site was not on air this noon.

15730, 7 kHz wide signal, in peaks 2x10 kHz, S=9+25dB or -50dBm powerhouse noted in MA, NY, IL, KY.

15230, 4.6 kHz wide signal, S=8 or -76dBm, backlobe of straight 160 degrees South American azimuth target curtain.

13740, Rather weak signal of S=8 or -79dBm in music peaks around 4.6 kHz wide.

11950, In peaks 4.6 kHz wide, at S=9+15dB or -57dBm powerful broadcast

9850, In peaks 2 x 8 kHz wide at S=9+15dB at -57dBm.

9820, In peaks 4.6 kHz wide, at S=5 or -93dBm tiny in northern part of USA and Canada during summer season.

9640, In peaks 4.6 kHz wide, at S=5 or -94dBm tiny in northern part of USA and Canada during summer season.

9550, In peaks 5.2 kHz wide, at S=8 or -78dBm tiny in northern part of USA and Canada during summer season.

And heavy QRM in western US states of co-channel CRI Beijing in Vietnamese language service, latter is ahead channel. 73 wb df5sx (Wolfgang Bischel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 15730, May 18 at 1349, RHC is off while 15370 is on and VG; 1404 recheck, now 15730 is on (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

1100-1300 on 9550 QVC 250 kW / 310 deg to WNAm Spanish

1100-1300 on 9640 BEJ 050 kW / 160 deg to SoAm Spanish

1100-1300 on 9820 BEJ 100 kW / 233 deg to CeAm Spanish

1100-1300 on 9850 BAU 100 kW / 340 deg to WNAm Spanish

1100-1300 on 11860 BAU 100 kW / 010 deg to ENAm Spanish
1100-1300 on 11950 BAU 100 kW / non-dir to NCAm Spanish
1100-1300 on 13740 BAU 100 kW / 160 deg to SoAm Spanish
1100-1300 on 15230 QVC 250 kW / 160 deg to SoAm Spanish
1100-1300 on 15730 BAU 100 kW / 130 deg to SoAm Spanish

On May 19 noted the following RHC signals in MA, KY, MI, Alberta-CAN remote posts in 1120 to 1145 UT time slot.

15730, S=9+15dB at 1120 UT. News item of political friendship relation connection between Cuba and Serbia countries.

15230, signing on very late at 1125 UT on May 19. S=9 signal.

13740, S=6-7 at 1126 UT

11950, S=9+10dB at 1128 UT

11860, S=9 at 1129 UT

9850, S=9+5dB at 1130 UT

9820, S=8, at 1131 UT report of radiologic disaster tragedy at Chernobyl USSR/Belarus, atomic nuclear power plant explosion and plant fire.

9640, S=7 only of RHC Spanish service, Bad reception channel at 1138 UT, heavy heterodyne adjacent channel signal high pitch whistle tone of adjacent Voice of Vietnam's Son Toy broadcast center site, in Vietnamese language on very odd 9635.972 kHz. On Perseus SDR narrowed the lower flank and notched-out negative the 9635 to 9638 kHz band portion.

9550, S=9+5dB at 1142 UT.

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and CRI Cantonese Tit-n San Felipe Quivic-n site relay:

9570 1200-1257 8 HAB 250 010 HRS4/2/0.5dipole #206 CantCUB CRI RTC

9570 CRI Cantonese (audio sounds like more close to Vietnamese language) heard at 1202 UT, May 19, origin of Cuban shortwave relay from Tit-n San Felipe Quivic-n site. S=9+15dB signal at 12.06 UT. wb (Wolfgang Bschel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [non]. RADIO MARTÓ TURNS 30

<http://www.radioworld.com/article/radio-mart%C3%AD-turns-/275974>

May 20 marks the 30th year Radio Martí has been broadcasting uncensored news and information to the island nation. The Office of Cuba Broadcasting oversees both Radio and TV Martí. OCB is under the Broadcasting Board of Governors, which oversees U.S. government-supported civilian overseas broadcasting.

Radio Martí went on the air in 1985, and its TV counterpart began broadcasting in 1990. Director of the Office of Cuba Broadcasting Carlos García-Pérez oversees Radio and TV Martí. He calls the length of time that Radio Martí has been broadcasting a testament to the importance of a free flow of information.¹

The Cuban government continuously tries to jam Martí broadcasts; however Radio Martí says it uses a combination of high- and low-tech approaches to reach Cuban citizens, including satellite, shortwave and AM radio, online, flash drives, DVDs and mobile apps. The OCB cites a March survey that found 20% of Cubans tune into Radio Martí, weive reported.

The investigative unit of Radio Martí has over the years sought to corroborate news leads coming from the island. Martí has also provided public health information to Cuban residents.

Radio and TV Martí will share a historic timeline, photos and articles online and provide special programming, remember key moments from its history and air interviews with Cubans on the impact of Radio Martí.
(via José Miguel Romero2, Spain, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CZECHIA [non]. USA, R. Prague instead of Brother Stair via WRMI
Okeechobee on May 18
0300-0400 on 11580 YFR 100 kW / 044 deg to WeEu English tx#09, video:
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/radio-prague-instead-of-brother-stair.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

English for a full hour? Normally only a semihour. New or mistake? RP English on 9955 is at 0300 only on weekends, and this was UT Monday (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST) {Back to BS one week later}

** DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. 1640, R. Juventus Don Bosco, Santo Domingo, MAR 21, 1610 [UT] - Heard while in Santo Domingo with religious program in Spanish, mention of R. Juventus and Emisora Católica but did not hear "Don Bosco." My wife and I spent the last week of March on a Caribbean cruise, with a few days in the Dominican Republic (Karl D Forth, Tecsun PL-380, NRC IDXD May 15 via DXLD)

** EAST TURKISTAN [and non]. CHINA, Updated schedule of PBS Xinjiang, e.g. 1230-1400 NF 13670, ex 7205

0300-1400 on 13670*URU 100 kW / 230 deg to EaAs Uyghur, ex 0300-1230
1400-1800 on 7205 URU 100 kW / 230 deg to EaAs Uyghur, ex 1230-1800
2300-0300 on 7205 URU 100 kW / 230 deg to EaAs Uyghur, unchanged
* co-ch 1300-1400 China Radio International in English to WeEu
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/updated-schedule-of-pbs-xinjiang-in.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015
via DXLD)

** ECUADOR [non]. GERMANY, 3995, HCJB Deutsch iLife FMi, Weenermoor,
2248-2250, escuchada el 16 de mayo de 2015 en inglés a locutoras con
comentarios, SINPO 34443 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, SacaÔet (CastellÛn),
EspaÑa, YAESU FRG-7700, Antena hilo 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING
DIGEST)

** EGYPT. Observation of Radio Cairo on May 13. All transmissions are
via transmitters in Abis. The transmitters in Abu Zaabal are off at
present except probably only 1. Many of these frequencies have severe
technical problems such as extreme distortion, low modulation or
undermodulation. Full summer A-15 of Radio Cairo may be found here
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/observation-of-radio-cairo-on-may-13.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015
via DXLD)

Fair, good modulated signal on 9965 at 0024 May 15. English to NAm,
with YL announcer and Arabic music. Transmitter abruptly shuts off at
0029 for few seconds before broadcast is resumed (possibly transmitter
switch?), weaker signal; then Arabic service begins after time pips,
with Koran music. 73s (Marty Delfín (QTH: Fuencarral-El Pardo
district, north Madrid), Dx-440, telescopic, dxldyg via DX LISTENING
DIGEST) FWIW, HFCC registered as same transmitter and antenna
continuous 2300-0430 (gh, DXLD)

9315, May 16 at 0217, R. Cairo ID in English, chanting and drumming,
4+1 timesignal ending at 0218:17! Obviously just a sound-effect, not
possibly intended to be accurate, to introduce the ``0215`` newscast
after well-worn martial news theme.

BTW: ``Radio Cairo on Livestream.com --- News from a friend at Radio
Cairo, Mayar Adel. Prepare to login or get your own account or
something.
<http://livestream.com/accounts/13376843>
(Clara Listensprechen, May 14, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING
DIGEST)``

Not really live, but apparently a daily upload of the 2300-2430 UT
English broadcast to North America, which is also on SW 9965;
unofficial, on her own initiative? (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1773,

DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9965, May 16 at 0217, R. Cairo in Arabic, not // 9315 this time, stronger and less distorted than 9315.

13850, May 16 at 0220, R. Cairo fair-good signal with open carrier plus some crackling and hum, unreadable. 13850 at 0525 recheck now the modulation is motorboating, supported Arabic.

13850, May 17 at 0548, R. Cairo, extremely distorted Arabic music

13850, May 18 at 0541, no signal from R. Cairo which is normally on here 0200-0700 with unusable modulation if any.

12070+, May 20 at 0117, R. Cairo only poor signal; at first I thought it was absent, then Arabic music, supported modulation. 33-42 dBu on the PL-880 with short random wire.

11935+, May 20 at 0117, next R. Cairo frequency is at very good level, 46-63 dBu on the PL-880, but it's open carrier/dead air instead of Spanish

9965, May 20 at 0118, R. Cairo Arabic service is off!

9315, May 20 at 0122, R. Cairo, YL in Spanish, hum and some distortion, 40-52 dbu on the PL-880 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA [non]. U.S.A.: 15190, Radio Africa via WRMI (presumed); 2104, 15-May; English huxterage from the Apostolic Assembly; read station list; WCPS 670 [sic] Tarboro NC (it's on 760), WWCR Nashville TN 12.16 MHz, WWVA 1170 Wheeling WV, Radio Africa on KHAZ [sic] 7190 [sic] (KHAZ is a C&W station in Hays KS on 99.5 MHz), WKGM 940 Smithfield VA & WINB (no frequency or QTH given). SIO=4+54 (Harold Frogge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 65 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17790, May 20 at 1716, R. Africa Network on WRMI is in some tonal African language, Hausa maybe? I've yet to learn any keywords to recognize it. Think I've only heard them in French before, besides predominant English. No such thing as a program schedule from Radio Africa. By 1732 back into English for an hymn (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA [non]. FRANCE, Powerful signal of Radio Risala International, May 15
1830-1900 on 21620 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Oromo Fri, 4 videos

<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/powerful-signal-of-radio-risala.html>
--(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA [and non]. FRANCE, Oromo Voice Radio (Raadiyoo Sagalee Oromoo) on May 11 with strong signal and weak white noise digital jamming by Ethiopia
1615-1630 on 17850 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf English Mon, videos
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/oromo-voice-radio-in-english-on-may-11.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015 via DXLD)

Clandestinas: FRANCIA, 17860, Oromo Voice Radio, Issoudun, 1803-, tentativa el 15 de mayo de 2015, no se aprecia señal alguna.

17870, Radio Xoriyo, Issoudun, 1601-1603, tentativa el 15 de mayo de 2015, imposible escuchar esta emisora; se aprecia fuerte señal de jammer, de fondo se intuye a la emisora. A las 1612 se aprecia alg'n tipo de emisiÛn de m'sica (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), EspaÑa, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EUROPE. PIRATE-EURO. Stress Radio-Holland, 6261 AM, 2331-0012*, 05-08/9-15, SIO: 343. Our Black Bandit friend IDing as Stress Radio. Tunes by Guy Mitchell, Johnny Preston, Jack Elliot. [Lobdell-MA]

PIRATE-EURO. Abu Dhabi-Holland, 6285 AM, 2342-0019+, 05-10-15, SIO: 343. C&W tunes, frequent IDs, greetings to Johnny Tabbaco. Nice audio (Chris Lobdell, Box 80146, Stoneham, MA 02180 USA, Receivers: Eton E1, NRD-545; Aerials: G5RV, 40 Meter Dipole, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EUROPE. Radio Latino and CoolAM Radio - special combination

Dear DX'ers, during next week-end we invite you to listen to Radio Latino and CoolAM Radio special combination, a 1 hour show produced by CoolAM Radio (Netherlands) and broadcasted by Radio Latino (Italy), with music from the golden "free radio" era, the swinging 60's. A special e-qsl card created for this event will be sent to all sending a listening report (please with sinpo and some details).

The show will be on air on friday and/or saturday and/or Sunday evening/night on 7530 or 7585 or 7590 khz. To know exact time and frequency you can subscribe to our blog
<http://www.radiolatino.bigbig.com>
so you will receive an email everytime we are on air, with exact frequency. The frequency will also be announced a few minutes before going on air, on Iann's chat
<http://radiokiel.info/free-radio//pirates/chat.htm>

All the best from Radio Latino and CoolAM Radio (via Roberto Scaglione, Sicily, May 15, bclnews.it yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

7595, Radio Latino, 1833-1905, escuchada el 16 de mayo de 2015 en inglés con emisión de música de los años 70 y 80, pop melódico y rock, a las 1854 locutor y locutora con cuña de la emisora en inglés e ID iRadio Latino, SINPO 34443.

7585, Radio Latino, 2254-2306, escuchada el 16 de mayo de 2015 en inglés con cuña de ID iRadio Latino, emisión de música hispana e italiana de los años 60 y 70, SINPO 34443 (José Miguel Romero, Sacaöt (Castellón), España, YAESU FRG-7700, Antena hilo 10m, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FRANCE. Unscheduled transmission of RFI on unregistered frequency:
1245-1320 17850 ISS 500 kW / 153 deg to CeAf open carrier / dead air
1320-1350 17850 ISS 500 kW / 153 deg to CeAf French, 3 videos May 12
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/unscheduled-transmission-of-radio.html>

Radio France International on odd 17849.9 kHz
0600-0700 on 17850vISS 500 kW / 150 deg to WCAF French
0700-0900 on 17850vISS 500 kW / 160 deg to CeAf French
Full summer A-15 of Radio France International is here
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/radio-france-international-on-odd.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015
via DXLD)

21580, May 20 at 1715, RFI with good signal in French;
21690, May 20 at 1715, RFI with good signal in Luso Portuguese. There is only a 5 degree difference in azimuth between them to Africa (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FRANCE. [harmonics] Fwd: [SkywavesDX] Log N. Germany 44.9 MHz

----- Forwarded message -----
Date: Sat, 16 May 2015 00:37:30 +0200

A rare catch today on 44.9 MHz (= 89.8 / 2) --- It sounded like African-French but in fact was the very old French southwestern dialect, the Pyrénées regional language like Occitan and Béarnais. Many thanks Philippe !!

44.9 MHz, FRANCE, R. País, Pau (64), 1311 km, 2 x 44.9 = 89.8 MHz

Jurgen Bartels Suellwarden, N. Germany
Ant. hor: 29-45 MHz 7-el, 45-87 MHz 11-el, FM 15.11, Band-3: 13-el,
UHF: 48-el

TV: Winradio G305 / Fly2000 + video noise filter & variable IF BW
FM: Downconverter + Perseus + Speclab as WFM demod.
MW: 30 x 4m EWE 320 with JB-terminator, Winradio & Perseus
http://zeiterfassung.3sdesign.de/station_list.htm
supports now HDSDR & XDR-GTK
http://dx.3sdesign.de/tv_offset_list.htm
(via Tim Bucknall, Congleton, UK, UK Director #KresySiberia, harmonics
yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD) Semi-harmonic rarity (gh)

** GERMANY. 153 kHz, DLF Donebach 2-masts climbing.

Das letzte Neujahr fuer Donebach; am 01.01.2015 um 00:30 schrieb
Juergen Martens DF5TY: Um 00:28 CET LT wurde der Sender Mudau-Donebach
fuer immer abgeschaltet. Schade...

Climbing a 363m Radio Tower in Donebach-Germany
<<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LSKm2uQGfIA>>
<https://igcdn-photos-b-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-xpf1/t51.2885-15/11116865_408695292641953_1624495160_n.jpg>

"... Wir sind tatsaechlich auf den 363 Meter hohen Langwellensender in
Donebach geklettert. Die Sender{masten} sind nach dem Berliner
Fernsehturm das hoechste Bauwerk Deutschlands. Die Antennen wurden am
1.1.2015 abgeschaltet, und seitdem, ohne Strahlungsschaeden zu
bekommen, begehbar. Soweit ich weiss sind wir damit die Ersten die den
Aufstieg geschafft haben, ein absolut atemberaubender Ausblick!...."
<<http://radioforum.foren.mysnip.de/read.php?8773,1296953>>
(via Roger Thauer-D, A-DX May 9 via BC-DX May 16 via DXLD)

** GERMANY. Re: > Kai, have you seen this:
<http://www1.wdr.de/themen/infokompakt/nachrichten/nrwkompakt/ard-radios-mittelwelle-100.html>

WDR reports that a WDR spokesperson confirmed reports that they will
switch off mediumwave in early July.

Well, this is an editorial piece, and the separation of editorial
content and PR should of course be maintained also when the own
organization becomes a topic (in German media organizations this is
very often not the case, and the public broadcasting organizations are
particularly bad here). But still it is really crazy to quote a
spokesperson of the own organization this way (Kai Ludwig, mwmasts yg
via DXLD)

Re: > 1143 Bitburg/Am Tower (Rheinland-Pfalz)

A few years ago moved to a new facility at Spangdahlem -----
and shut down a few days ago.

A dialogue of listeners who received word of the closure beforehand:
<https://www.facebook.com/afnspangdahlem/posts/952918408102409>

It has been hinted that AFN is now indeed in the process of phasing out mediumwave in Germany altogether.

> 1485 Ansbach/Katterbach- Kammerforst (Bayern)
> 1485 Garmisch-Partenkirchen (Bayern)
> 1485 Hohenfels-Nainhof/ General Patton Road (Bayern)
>
> I can hear 1107 and 1485 right now here north of Munich.

Local listener Erich Bergmann at Ansbach recently confirmed the transmitter there as still (for now) active. And the former 873 kHz masts at Weilkirchen have been demolished on 23 April as announced (Kai Ludwig, May 16, mwmaasts yg via DXLD)

** GERMANY. Re: 2 part video about the HISTORY OF THE GERMAN TRANSMITTER MANUFACTURER TELEFUNKEN

> With reference to the point about the last TFK HF sender;
> was it a real German designed TFK one

Indeed:

<http://senderfotos-bb.de/bilder/nauen33.jpg>
<http://senderfotos-bb.de/bilder/nauen20.jpg>

Obviously their intention was to sell more than just five pieces (does someone know what became of the Sveio one? Swiftly destroyed?), but essentially just the whole manufacturer, the old Telefunken Sendertechnik company, folded.

> OR a badged TFK one that was really from RIZ, that went to
> Wertachtal with its brother being at UK WOF since 2006 as Sender 96?

This is a story in itself, which I suspect to be related to DRM equipment still made by the small successor company. As far as I know had RIZ from the start been mentioned as supplier of the new transmitters of which in the end only the pilot one has ever been delivered.

But it was no really new approach; in the past RIZ transmitters also appeared with Siemens badge (an example I'm aware of was the 600 kW MW at Ismaning, where Siemens suddenly declared itself not responsible when BR had lots of trouble with this rig).

By the way, here's interesting reading:

http://www.governmentattic.org/13docs/BBG-TEOSreports_2011-2014.pdf

Kafkaesque circumstances there, with gold and marble being in 2012 the highest priority at Greenville after a visit of a dear member of The Board. Otherwise they had in this year a lot of trouble with their single Telefunken and no spare parts at hand anymore, thus purchased as an emergency measure two transmitters of this model they found in Germany. Sounds as if these were the two transmitters from the Flevoland facility that had been put in storage as source of spare parts for the Wertachtal facility (Kai Ludwig, Germany, May 15, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

** GERMANY. ALEMANIA, 3985, Deutsches Radio 700, Kall-Krekel, 2237-2245, escuchada el 16 de mayo de 2015 en alemán con emisión de música pop melódico de Alemania, SINPO 44444

3985, Deutsches Radio 700, Kall-Krekel, 0447-0452, escuchada el 17 de mayo de 2015 en alemán a locutor y locutora con cuña de la emisora e ID, emisión de música sin pausa, tema de E. Morricone, SINPO 34433 (José Miguel Romero, SacaDet (Castellón), España, YAESU FRG-7700, Antena hilo 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY [non]. Radio DARC via Media Broadcast on May 17:
0900-1000 on 6070 MOS 100 kW / 283 deg to CeEu German Sun
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/radio-darc-via-media-broadcast-on-may-17.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, May 17, dxldyg via DXLD)

** GERMANY. Additional transmission of Radio DARC on Monday via Channel 292
1800-1900 6070 ROB 010 kW / non-dir to CeEu German Mon + as scheduled
1500-1600 6070 ROB 010 kW / non-dir to CeEu German Mon + every Sunday
0900-1000 6070 MOS 100 kW / 283 deg to CeEu German Sun MediaBroadcast

An additional, transmission of English Amateur Radio News on May 18
1600-1700 on 6070 ROB 010 kW / non-dir to CeEu English Mon, videos
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/additional-transmission-of-radio-darc.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 19, dxldyg via DXLD)

** GREECE. ERT Open in Greek at 0900 on May 11, but nothing after 1000
from 0900 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu
from 0900 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf is off in A-15??
from 0900 on 15630 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu, co-ch VIRI Dari
But no signal in the next day, May 12 in 0500-0900 time slot.
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/ert-open-in-greek-at-0900utc-on-may-11.html>

ERT Open in Greek again on air May 16:
from 0645 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu
from 0645 on 15630 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu
No signal on both frequencies at 0830 UT, videos
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/ert-open-in-greek-again-on-air-may-16.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015
via DXLD)

9420, May 16 at 0154, Greek music and talk, fair with flutter, so Avlis is on tonight. I suppose it's no longer called ERTOpen with ERT itself officially re-established as of May 11 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREENLAND. QSL: 6522 à Aasiaat Radio à Aasiaat à GRL à Recebido cart,ºo QSL. 77 dias. V/S: Bo Mogensen (Trafikchef). Informe enviado por email: bm@telepost.gl QTH: Teleservicecenter Aasiaat, Postboks 217, DK-3950 Aasiaat, Groenl,ndia

Com essas duas confirmações [com ANGUILLA], cheguei à marca de 121 países em minha coleção. O QSL da Groenl,ndia é raríssimo e de um país que há muitos anos tentava captar algo sem sucesso. Além do QSL, guardo o áudio do boletim meteorológico dessa estação como um troféu adicional. Agora é continuar a batalha para chegar aos 130.

As imagens das confirmações estar,ºo disponíveis em breve em meu blog.
73 (Ivan Dias Jr. - Sorocaba/SP,
<https://www.youtube.com/regionaldx>
<http://ivandias.wordpress.com>
<http://twitter.com/ivandiasjr>
May 15, radioescutas yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

Looking for more info on this station, consult EiBi list which covers such things in addition to strict SWBCs. No listing for it on 6522, but on three other frequencies, 2250, 3250, 4381, callsign OYR, with 10-minute weather broadcasts all in English at same times: 0120, 0420, 0705, 0720, 1120, 1205, 1420, 1720, 1705 [sic, out of order; should it be 1805 or 1905 or 2005?], 2020, 2205, 2320 UT. I wonder what time he heard 6522? So often in QSL reports initial basic log details are lacking (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUATEMALA. CQ, CQ, CQ --- Aquí Pedro F. Arrunategui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano, todas las horas son UTC. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

4054.98, R. Verdad, Chiquimula; 2/05 1005-1020, 33333, mx varios, himnos religiosos bilingües español e inglés, lo pasan en forma

continua, mas no dan ID.

La recepcióñ la he efectuado del 2/05 al 17/05 en compaÑía de mi
sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÑado del Mizuho KX-3, MFJ-1025 con antena
auxiliar, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop y
ahora tambi n con un ELAD FDM-S1, antena Mini Whip y Splitter ASA 4 x
2, (Gracias mil a los colegas integrantes del MCDXT (locos son•mbulo
de la ionosfera) quienes en coordinaci n con Francesco Clemente,
hicieron posible la llegada de estos equipos a mi QTH). NOTA: Para un
mejor escucha de las grabaciones que adjunto, sugiero escuchar con los
audifonos. Muchos 218is PFA (Pedro F. Arrun•tegui, Lima, Per', CHASQUI
DX PFA n MAYO 2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also BOLIVIA, BRAZIL,
COLOMBIA, CUBA, ECUADOR, PERU

4055, Radio Verdad, Chiquimula, 0536-0548, 17-05, religious songs,
English, best on LSB. 14321 (Manuel M ndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo,
Grundig Satellit 500, Tecsun PL-880, Sony ICF SW 7600G, Cable antenna,
8 meters and Degen 31MS active loop antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING
DIGEST) TGAV off the air by May 22 with transmitter problems (gh)

** GUATEMALA [and non]. [Re COLOMBIA:] IF you ever get an update for
the Guatemala FM calls, I'd love to hear about it. I gave up a couple
years ago trying to keep my data files up-to-date (info I kept for the
Emisoras FM book) for the Guatemala listings. It got to the point I
couldn't even get anyone from the SCT in Cd. Guatemala to reply to my
emails for latest licenses/call changes. I've got a feeling the
information in the latest Emisoras FM pdf book (2010) for Guatemala is
sorely out of date. I know that so many new listings have happened for
Mexico FM since 2010 it would be silly to use that edition rather than
the online WTFDA database (Jim Thomas, Springfield, Missouri, May 16,
WTFDA gg via DXLD)

Will do, Jim! There are 2 database updates published every month at
<http://www.itu.int/en/ITU-R/terrestrial/brific/Pages/default.aspx>
ITU's TerRaQ software can open up the .mdb files so that they are easy
to read and export. Overall the ITU database is horribly out-of-date,
but every so often a country will send in updates.

I just wanted to add that there are also some .pdf's on that website -
but they don't include all of the data. Call signs, for example.
PS - Still love your book, I still open it up when the skip's down
that way. wrh (Bill Hepburn, Ont., ibid.)

** GUYANA. 3290-, May 18 at 0550, JBA talk modulation, so V. of Guyana
still on but far too weak (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 4970, AIR Shillong, 1230-1249, May 19. News in English;
local ID; music program; poor to almost fair (Ron Howard, Asilomar

State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA [non]. Re: ``UZBEKISTAN Summer A-15 schedule CVC Voice Asia:
1100-1400 on 9670 TAC 100 kW / 153 deg to IND Hindi
1400-1700 on 6260 TAC 100 kW / 153 deg to IND Hindi

According to WRTH Update of May 1, CVC The Voice Asia planning to stop broadcasts in mid May - video on May 6
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/cvc-voice-asia-on-6260-via-tashkent.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)``

<http://thevoiceasia.com/radio-broadcast/>

"Sadly, our Shortwave frequencies were discontinued on May 6th 2015.
You can still find us online via this website or our mobile apps."

But don't you believe that finding "them" online still comprises much radio. All that's left now are three hours a day, broadcast on 0 kHz in the 0 metres band and, as the "How to Listen" page states, "on FM to nepal" (sic; quite a lot of such typos there), whatever that means in practice.

In fact the live stream appears to be still up around the clock, but while writing this just a looped buzz tone is being played out:
"Automation / OFF AIR 01:30-05:30 / Live on the Mic by ID/PSA"

What a farce (Kai Ludwig, Germany, May 19, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi all, Incredibly, I've had a chance to record the final 6 minutes of CVC The Voice Asia on shortwave, video May 6
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/final-6-minutes-of-cvc-voice-asia-on.html>

73! (Ivo Ivanov, May 19, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

** INDONESIA. 3324.88, RRI Palangkaraya heard back on the air again May 20, after being off yesterday, but was very weak (reduced power or some other transmitter problem?), at 1206. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 3905, RRI Merauke. May 15 tuned in at 1130 to hear UNID station with long series of speeches (political?) till 1226 tune out. 1300 "RRI" ID; RRI singing jingle; theme music; 1301 pips and news; followed by program of EZL songs; 1359 RRI jingle again; IS?; 1402 off. Believe this had been off the air for some years, so especially nice to hear them again! Thanks to the input from Sei-ichi Hasegawa, Mauno Ritola and Atsunori Ishida. Hope NBC New Ireland doesn't return soon!

RRI Merauke website -
<http://rrimerauke.blogspot.com/>
programa 1 website -
<http://rrimerauke.blogspot.com/p/home.html>

My audio at
<https://app.box.com/s/hhjxqdpadyksc9uw5tsntvxnaxanxt3z>
(Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

RRI Merauke's one-day-only special broadcast on the 15th, was to mark a religious anniversary - Isra and Miraj. It's observed on the 27th day of Rajab, the seventh month in the Islamic calendar. So was not political speeches at all, as I had assumed.

Each year at the State Palace (Jakarta), there is a commemoration of the ascension of the Prophet Muhammad (SAW). This years presenter of Isra and Miraj was Prof. Dr. H. Syamsul Anwar, MA, along with remarks by the President of Indonesia (Jokowi).

Thanks to Sei-ichi Hasegawa and other Japanese DXer's for providing the info that what we heard was probably Isra and Miraj related. Thanks also to the helpful comments from Mauno Ritola. It was a great experience for us to hear this station that is rarely on SW.

3905, RRI Merauke, 1144-1221*, May 18. Last heard on the 15th; off the air 16th & 17th; pop songs; ToH "Radio Republik Indonesia" ID; 1201 seemed to start the // to 3324.88 (RRI Palangkaraya) // 4869.88 (RRI Wamena), with the Jakarta news; went off just at the end of the news, with Palangkaraya and Wamena both continuing on with the usual patriotic song iBagimu Negeri, to finish the news relay; Wamena the strongest (above average reception!), with Palangkaraya and Merauke about the same strength. Perhaps this will become a regular broadcaster again?

[non-logs]. 3905, RRI Merauke and 3324.88, RRI Palangkaraya both silent May 19, at 1145 and subsequent checking. Thanks to Sei-ichi Hasegawa for passing along this recording made by DFS -
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m80bQlylb9g&feature=youtu.be>
showing that the first day of RRI Merauke reactivation was probably the 13th, so perhaps testing the transmitter that day for the major reason they came back on May 15, to cover the "Isra and Miraj" event. Looks like the actual frequency is 3904.95. Will they do more testing/broadcasting?

3904.968 (thanks to Dave Valko's measurement today), RRI Merauke at 1135, May 20 with decent strength open carrier, but no audio at all;

still OC at 1145; by 1202 they were off the air, so must have just tested the transmitter today! Atsunori Ishida shows off at 1149* (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

3904.968, RRI Merauke?? No sign of this when I checked at 0830, and then hams were on the frequency later. But at 1006, there was indeed a signal here. What audio there was sounded like it was from a few very weak hams. Is Merauke actually signing on around 0930-1000?? Video of the signal at

<https://youtu.be/UXZoize5uaI>

(20 May) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, HCDX via DXLD)

Not even on WRTH 2014 map. In fact, 2009y was the last WRTH map showing Merauke, which is in the extreme SE corner next to PNG of Papua province, ex-West Irian, ex-Irian Jaya, ex-Netherlands New Guinea (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 4869.88, RRI Wamena well above average reception on May 20, which I hope continues for tomorrow's (Thursday) KGI's program in English, at about 1230 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 7289.930, RRI Nabire, 0850, surprised to hear the Kor'an here to at least 0858. Signal strength on par with 7259.941 Vanuatu. Still on at 0902 return with music. 0907 M announcer briefly between songs. Arabic style song at 0910. Signal suddenly disappeared at 0914:05. Had some really nasty thunderstorm static crashes. Youtube video at

<https://youtu.be/r-9dDIxB1Ig>

(notice at the end of the video 7260 Vanuatu and 7325 Wantok R. Light)
(20 May) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, HCDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

** IRAN. 15520, VOIRI (Kamalabad) 1350 14 May, 1350-1405 15 May. Sounds like VOIRI borrowed one of Cairo's transmitters for a couple days --- awful "blorpy" audio during their usually clean Urdu broadcast. After VOIRI's 1420*, there seemed to be a DSB RTTY/digital signal on the frequency -- from ?? (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN [non]. SECRET LAND, Radio Ranginkaman, Radio Rainbow on May 11: 1600-1630 on 7575 secret / hidden site to WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri 1600-1630 on 15630 SCB 050 kW / 090 deg to WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri Frequency 15630 kHz with 80 seconds delay from 7575 kHz - video <http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/radio-ranginkaman-radio-rainbow-on-may.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015

via DXLD)

** IRAQ [and non]. La Rosa de Tokio para este fin de semana: la radiodifusiÛn en las zonas ocupadas por Estado Islmico

La Rosa de Tokio es un programa dedicado a difundir el apasionante mundo de la radio y del diexismo que se transmite semanalmente desde los estudios de LS11, Radio Provincia de Buenos Aires.

Este fin de semana dedicaremos nuestro programa a conocer el estado de la radiodifusiÛn en las zonas ocupadas por la organizaciÛn terrorista Estado islmico. No se pierdan los archivos de audio histÛricos con los cuales se "ilustra" cada programa.

La Rosa de Tokio puede ser escuchada los das domingos de 1700 a 1800 Tiempo Universal Coordinado (14:00 a 15:00 hora LU) por los 1270 kHz y en Internet por

<http://www.amprovincia.com.ar>

Adems, una extensa red de emisoras de frecuencia modulada de toda la Repblica Argentina retransmite en forma semanal nuestro programa en diferentes das y horarios.

La Rosa de Tokio tambin sale por onda corta gracias a las facilidades brindadas por WRMI Radio Miami Internacional <http://www.wrmi.net>

Tambin puede ser escuchada en cualquier momento entrando en la pgina ProgramasDX y haciendo "click" en
<http://programasdxdx.com/larosadetokio.htm>

Desde este vnculo tambin podrn acceder al archivo que recaba ediciones anteriores del programa. La Rosa de Tokio es producida y conducida por Omar Jos Somma y Arnaldo Leonel Slaen y cuenta con la colaboraciÛn habitual de Rubn Guillermo Margenet, desde Rosario y Alejandro Daniel Alvarez, desde Neuquen (Arnaldo Slaen, May 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KASHMIR. 4950, AIR Radio Kashmir, Srinagar (presumed), May 19, first noted 1347 with bits and pieces of audio; off about 1400. Still with a rather short schedule (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KURDISTAN [non]. See BULGARIA: 11510 & 23120

** KUWAIT. Additional SW Antennas

From Kai's IBB linked pdf [GERMANY] I noted this item:

KUWAIT TRANSMITTING STATION: The Kuwait Transmitting Station reports

that in January (2014): The big event of the month was the arrival and unloading of sixteen (16) forty-foot containers with the remains of four old rhombic antennas that were disassembled and removed from IBB Greenville's Site A. These antenna components will be used to install additional shortwave antennas at the station to increase its coverage capabilities (Kai/Ian, May 15, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

** KUWAIT. Radio Kuwait, 17550 with 500 kW from Kuwait at 2234 UT / 3:34 PM Pacific. The signal was very steady with good audio. Signal ranged from about a 5 out of 10 to an 8 1/2 out of 10 on my radio's signal level meter. Here is a 7 minute 5 second audio recording of what I heard:

http://www.onairdj.com/RadioKuwait_17550_05172015_2234UTC_334ppmpacific.mp3
Redding, California, USA using a Sangean ATS909X and H-800 Skymatch Active Antenna (Paul Walker, May 17, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Kuwait, 17550 with 500 kW at 2234 on Sunday May 17th, 2015. The signal was STRONG, ranged from about a 6 out of 10 to 8 1/2 out of 10. Very listenable and seem to sit around a 7 or 8 on my signal level meter. Audio was good. QSL requests have been sent to all of these stations!! (Paul Walker, May 19, ibid.)

** KYRGYZSTAN. 4009.95, *0000-0010 18.5, Kyrgyz R 1, Krasnaya Rechka. Short opening melody, Kyrgyz ID: "Birinchi radio", National hymn, 0007 ann, song. The strong carrier was on already from 2350 with 5 seconds long tones 45333 // 4819.77 (34333 strong carrier, but poor audio, heterodyne from Tibet) (Anker Petersen, my latest loggings from Skovlunde, Denmark, on the AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, wbradio yg via DXLD)

** MEXICO. 650, May 17 at 1125 UT, I am finally awake early enough for some summer sunrise skip from some of my favorite Mexicans, regulars an hour or two later in the winter. Here is Mexican oom-pah music from the WSW and owning the frequency, no WSM or anything else, of course XETNT, Los Mochis, Sinaloa, confirmed by ``Radio 65`` jingle at 1129, and a Sinaloa song, starting to fade and gone by 1140 recheck.

Gaisma.com lacks a listing for Los Mochis! But interpolating between Culiacán and Obregón, sunrise should be about 1227, an hour later than our Enid SR today of 1123 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 730, May 17 at 1125 UT, hummy open carrier, altho hard to get a fix on it, probably XEHB, 50/1 kW in Chihuahua, to go with SRS still in from 650 XETNT Sinaloa (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. XEQ RADIO LLEGA A SU FIN TRAS M;S DE 75 A-OS
<http://www.radioformula.com.mx/notas.asp?Idn=502906&idFC=2015>

Despu s de haberse mantenido al aire por m s de 75 a os, XEQ Radio anunci  el fin de sus transmisiones para ceder su lugar a la nueva estaci n "Ke buena 940 AM". La reconocida estaci n agradeci  a sus seguidores por tantos a os de lealtad, a trav s, de su cuenta de Twitter. XEQ Radio arranc  transmisiones en el a o de 1948 y se caracteriz  por complacer a los radioescuchas con m sica rom ntica de ayer y hoy (via Jos  Miguel Romero2, Spain, May 18, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

This is big news, one of the major DF stations, on 940 (or 940- as it has two transmitters, one of which puts an audible het on the lo side). Really a change of format. So will the heritage callsign change too? I doubt it, hope not (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1030, May 20 at 0612, just as I tune by, ``y 93.9 FM, Exa FM''. WRTH, Cant' and IRCA show the only Exa on 1030 is XEMPM, 10/1 kW El Fuerte, or Los Mochis, Sinaloa, which is a hotspot for MW DX to here. Except all show its XHMPM on FM is 98.9, but I sure thought they said 93.9. (Pronounced ``eksa'' -- you can never be quite sure about x's in Mexican). Found website which confirms it's still 98.9:
<http://www.exafm.com/#!/losmochis/home>

I was referring to a printout of the Cant' list I saved on Feb. 19, and now on May 21, <http://www.mexicoradiotv.com> is ``temporarily unavailable`` says Network Solutions! Fred was reported to be about to retire and looking for someone else to take over the site. I hope this temp/un is a good rather than bad sign (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1060.065, MEXICO, XEEP R. Educaci n, M xico, DF, APR 12 1038 - Off-frequency again today. [Krueger-FL] This 100% for sure as logged by me dozens of times and by others many times is not XEEP which is on frequency, but XERDO (Niel Kazaross, IL, NRC IDXD May 15 via DXLD)

** MEXICO [and non]. 6185-, May 16 at 0222, XEPPM with low-modulated music suffering QRM from SAH and presumed Armenian talk, as this is currently the only conflict in our evenings, Vatican Radio at 0210-0230.

6185, May 18 at 0546, open carrier/dead air as XEPPM has left it on after closing circa 0500 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Sporadic E TV DX with several stations competing on channel A2 --- and still in analog, for a little while longer from deep inside Mexico. My antenna remains stuck almost southward so good for part of

Mexico. All times UT on May 16:

1433 on 2, turn on to find opening in progress with lucha libre, among other CCI; there is a bug in upper right, looks like one or two words of text on one line. Very likely TELEACTIVA which means XEFB-TV Monterrey NL is still on. Reference:

<http://tvdxTips.com/mexlogosch2.html>

Beware however that Azteca 13 net bug is now the word TRECE

1453 on 2, retune just in time to catch tail of promo with big 55, and audio mentioning 55 aniversario de Telecentro de Guadalajara, so XEW-TV is still on too! Back to lucha libre, with Huracán Ramírez, apparently post-produced rather than live. (This station a.k.a. MASVISION, +v as bug but unconfirmed this time.)

1504 on 2, net 5 Televisa bug in LR, animation, but which transmitter?

1506 on 2, different bug in LR, small circular --- yes, it's the Televisa net-2 star, but which transmitter? XEW-TV DF itself?

1510 on 2, ``Las 7 de la Mañana'' visual promo, play on numbers as net/program name, and/or the time it is on; if so, a very long program as now it's after 10 am CDT. Usual assumption for Azteca net-7 from the south is XHTAU in Tampico, so still on? If we had definite info about which low-band stations are gone to DTV on UHF as of any given date, we could eliminate some possibilities.

1521 I check the 6m Es map, and as usual, shows hardly any ham contacts to Mexico, just a single one in the NE corner. Most of the Es is over central US centered over Memphis TN.

1524 on 2, movie? with definite Televisa-2 star bug in LR

1528 on 2, Info 7 promo mixing with music from net-2 (?)

1533 on 2, 7 bug in LR dominates briefly

1545 on 2, Televisa net-5 bug in LR, not much left by 1600

1629 on 2, animated 7 logo fades in briefly, nothing more by 1745. Second set with antenna split on ch 3 and 4 never got anything.

Another sporadic E analog TV DX opening Sunday May 17 into UT May 18, all times UT, C-490 antenna aimed about 175 degrees:

1954 on 2, fade/in Spanish mentioning the year 1961 and 'Fórmula Uno'; not a line on the 6m Es map; another brief fade-in at 2003.

2222 on 2, fade/in CCI including +v logo on full screen = M-s VisiÛn XEWO-TV Guadalajara; also f (Televisa-4 net) bug in LR, maybe different station. One of the stations with f'tbol game, with a red-bordered text bug partly off-screen in UR corner, surely TELEACTIVA = XEFB-TV Monterrey.

2242 on 2, +v M-s VisiÛn ID again and full screen notice: ``Este canal puede verlo en Canal Digital 26'', so for now simulcast, but boding ill for the DXer a kilomile away. Then promo for an apparent student quiz show. 2243 back to silly ballgame, surges and fades. References by narrator to ``el chileno'', presumably a well-known player.

2255 on 2, during soccer game, tiny oval bug in LR, probably generic TELEVISA for deportes.

2310 on 3, MUF up a bit, with a different f'tbol game

2325 on 3, still FB game, little QRM, while 2 has CCI

2337 on 2, still f bug in LR, not a game; but CCI

2340 on 2 // 3, same game now, mentions Copa AmÈrica; star bug in UR, Televisa net 2

2350 on 3, promo for Televisa Deportes on both canales 2 y 5; game here surges to snow-free, net-2 star in UR

2354 on 4, fade-in video only, closeups of YLs in conversation, one captioned as Ruth de Gells (?), documentary? A text bug in UR is mostly off-screen on both sets

UT May 18:

0029 on 2, still heavy CCI; and on 3 some signal; 0030 algo on 4

0049 on 2, CCI including SBG

0051 on 3, game coverage mentions Guadalajara (tho this channel itself would not be direct from there)

0134 on 2, docu film caption says San QuintÌn, Baja California

0150 on 2, docu maybe about drug war, mentions Nayarit, etc.

0214 on 3, still f'tbol

0229 on 2, still soccer

0254 on 2, studio variety show from Televisa; mostly gone after 0300
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Azteca 7 logo tweak --- It's still a 7 in a speech bubble, but now it's in glossy blue instead of purple and yellow.
<http://forums.wtfda.org/showthread.php?9726-Azteca-7-logo-tweak>

Televisa blew all of us away with its tremendous selection of channels in Manzanillo...

XHMAW-TDT 16, XHCC-TDT 42, XHBZ-TDT 14. None of that makes any sense whatsoever! (At least to those who care beyond virtual channels.) The stations should really be 42/17/16.

Mark my words: XHMAW-TDT 42 is going to show up in the IFT tables at the next update (Raymie Humbert, AZ, May 15, Raymie's Mexico Beat, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Staying in the state of Colima, Azteca's digital channels have been down or in flux for quite some time now, most of the last month.

We first thought it had to do with election material. Now we're learning it could be because Azteca needed to install the main station (Atenquique) instead of the Cerro de la Cumbre shadows. Here's how our poster puts it:

"When Televisa came on Azteca received a message to get them to sign on in digital as well, by orders of the department of Nacho P [JosÈ Ignacio Peralta Sánchez, Subsecretary of Communications and PRI gubernatorial candidate for Colima]. They were already distributing TVs so they wanted Colima to have full HD service. So they brought over equipment from Atenquique, just an exciter, two IRDs [Integrated Receiver-Decoders] and two amplifiers to go on air with 350 watts. Then the auditor blew the whistle and they brought the equipment back to Atenquique. The problem was that this was low-power equipment, not a full transmitter; they were sanctioned, and what they mentioned is that in many cities they do not have full-power transmitters, just low-power equipment to give them DTV presence. ... The Azteca folks are already working to get back on air but when, who knows. The Harris equipment has already arrived but there's nowhere to put it, not even any new building work to expand the transmitter shack...there's just the equipment, nothing else. There's no date set yet."

Well, that's a setback. It actually is political too. The SCT seems to have pressured Azteca into getting something on air for those TV distributions, and it also helps that the same guy is running for governor for the PRI in Colima. But the technical auditor didn't like what he was seeing (it sounds like Azteca didn't even have a real

transmitter on site) and wanted Azteca to build its Atenquique main station.

If this is how Azteca is doing business elsewhere, no wonder their stations are so hard to reel in. This explains the very low ERPs observed in other cities, like Tampico and Valladolid Yuc. (Raymie Humbert, May 19, *ibid.*)

<http://forums.wtfda.org/showthread.php?9113-OPMA-is-changing&p=33932#post33932>

Ran across this video today. XHFX-4 Morelia is not commonly IDed by DXers, but with Morelia being unready and a possible wave of station clearings coming later this summer, who knows!

XHFX-4 (Gala TV + local) is sister to XHKW-10 (CE), XHMRL-91.5 "Top FM", and a magazine called "DejaTVer", all in Morelia. The group is called Grupo MarMor (MARtinez MORales).

This shows the logo for Grupo MarMor (the newscasts on XHFX are known as Grupo MarMor Informa) and also the current XHFX logo. They may use the MM logo as a bug as well:

They also proudly trumpet that they are "Affiliated with Televisa", but that is a dodgy rendition of the Televisa logo. It looks squished:
Name: F6448Po.png Views: 11 Size: 145.3 KB
(Raymie Humbert, May 20, *ibid.*)

** MEXICO. There is also an unusual update to the AM and FM
http://www.ift.org.mx/sites/default/files/contenidogeneral/industria/infraestructurafm28-04-15_1.pdf
station tables in which the only changes seem to have been concession information on a couple AM-FM conversions no longer without AMs. (XEMU Piedras Negras, for instance, seems to be gone and all that's left is XHEMU.) Note the odd format, the old date with a _1 near it. TV has not been changed (Raymie Humbert, May 18, WTFDA Forum via DXLD) see also COLOMBIA [and non]

** MICRONESIA [non]. 4755.5+, May 16 at 1153, no signal from PMA The Cross. Still powerless? Ron Howard says they had been off for three days as of May 12, when Sylvia Kalau at station told him Typhoon Dolphin caused power outage, tho building and tower were OK, unlike their church with roof blown off. She was waiting for power lines to be fixed; still not done?

Other 60m signals at this time included JBA carrier on 4750, which I will not assume was Makassar; better one on 4870- with music at 1155, which I will assume was Wamena; and 5020 Solomon Islands, q.v. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MICRONESIA [non-log]. 4755.54, PMA-The Cross Radio, as of May 19, checking at 1151, they continue to be silent; seems power has not been restored yet after the storm (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Storm damages on The Cross, Mikronesien. NEWS FROM POHNPEI. Dear Ones, Just received a call from Sylvia.

What seemed to just be a system that was going through Pohnpei, turned out to pack very strong winds in the early morning. It took part of the roof of our Studio Building where our PMF church meets for worship services. The whole foyer is flooded, the Office above it - together with the air conditioning system, electrical system are all soaking wet and damaged - lights are dangling from the ceiling, equipment, soaking wet and damaged as well. Fortunately, the church auditorium is dry. The Lord kept that safe. We are thankful, the Field Office Building, Sunday school building are fine - except for the curling of the roof - which Nob was able to fix. The Good News Press Office, Radio office withstood the strong winds. The Sea Haven seemed to have held up during that time. Nob, Syl and Mom are now sleeping at the Office.

Please PRAY - for strength and wisdom for Nob and our PMA Pohnpei team - as they work on repairing the roof and cleaning up the affected area. Pray for the Lord to provide for the repair work on the building and equipment. Thank you and God bless you! Melinda at PMA HQ Office.

Sorry no Pictures - no internet (F_B Seite der PMA Mission, 12. Mai; via Christoph Ratzer, Austria, OE2CRM, <<http://ratzer.at>> May 12 via BC-DX May 16 via DXLD)

** MOLDOVA [non]. MOLDOVAN SERVICE DIRECTOR AWARDED ROMANIAN TOP HONOR Wednesday, May 20, 2015 Communications / Kudos & Awards

<http://www.rferl.org/content/oana-serafim-presidential-award/27016241.html>

RFE/RL Moldovan Service Director Oana Serafim was awarded one of Romania's highest national honors at a ceremony held at the Romanian embassy in Prague May 12.

Romanian Ambassador to the Czech Republic Daniela Gitman presented Serafim with the National Order for Faithful Service of the Rank of Knight in recognition of her contributions as a journalist to Romanian society. The honor, which is awarded annually by the president of Romania, was decreed by then president Traian Basescu in November 2014.

Serafim joined RFE/RL's Romanian Service, which also broadcast to Moldova, in 1995 as a broadcast journalist, and was later named the service's director in 2003. The Romanian service closed in 2008 and was succeeded by the Moldovan Service, with Serafim as director.

Before joining RFE/RL, Serafim worked for the BBC Romanian Service in London and at the Romanian National Film Archive in Bucharest.

RFE/RL Editor-in-Chief Nenad Pejic praised Serafim's passion, principles, knowledge, and bravery in challenging authorities. Her recalcitrant nature, Pejic quipped, makes for both a good journalist and a good employee who keeps him on his toes.

"It is not always easy to be her boss, but it is a pleasure," he said.

Former RFE/RL President Jeff Gedmin, currently at Georgetown University in Washington D.C., also gave remarks at the ceremony. He lauded Serafim's deep dedication to service on behalf of her colleagues and her audience in Moldova and "the fearless nature of her independent intellect, and the humility she brings to everything she does."

Serafim is one of several former RFE/RL Romanian Service journalists to be recognized for their work by the president with the award, and she thanked colleagues past and present for their dedication to promoting democratic values by providing objective news and analysis.

"We are here to celebrate our common effort, to try to reinvent once more the powerful weapons that we journalists have: our microphones, our pens, and our videos," said Serafim. "We should never waste the power we have, and never forget our duty to build trust and to empower the powerless people in this confusing world, which sometimes merely mimics democracy, freedom of expression, and the rule of law."

RFE/RL's Moldovan Service provides news and information in Romanian and Russian via Radio, TV, and web, and is the most popular international radio broadcaster in the country. The service continues to adapt to the changing political realities in the region to meet audience needs, most recently launching a 10-minute TV news program, Clear and Simple, which airs in both Romanian and Russian. In 2014 the service doubled its special programming to the separatist Transdniestrian region and programming in Russian in response to events in Ukraine (via Hansjoerg Biener, DXLD)

** MONACO [and non]. Neil, - The 1557 kHz transmitting facility have been re-located at the end of 2012 to the Col de la Madonne, which is actually located in France.

The "Radiodiffusion Monte-Carlo" company who own the Col de la Madonne transmitting site, has its business address in Monaco (Sylvain Naud-CAN, mwoffsets May 12 via BC-DX May 16 via DXLD)

Thanx, I was unaware that TDF Nice 1557 kHz was located this close to Monaco. Not that it really matters except for country count. 702 RMC and 1467 Radio Maria are listed as being from Col de la Madone which is definitely not in Monaco (I've been there) so should these stations count as Monaco or not? (neilkaz neilkaz, mwoffsets May 12, ibid.)

<<http://binged.it/1Pg0b6l>>

former G.C. TDF Antibes 1557 kHz 600 / 300 kW
43 36 52.67 N 07 07 00.15 E
<<https://goo.gl/maps/Jfzzf>>

Antibes location area is still grasland in Google Maps/Earth in 2015,

History in 2003 year:
Christian Ghibaudo from Nice now tells me that this was due to the fact that it was moved to yet another location, namely Col de la Madone. It had already been moved in 3 July 2003 from [Nice] Antibes to [Monte Carlo] Fontbonne.

details:
<tvignaud.pagesperso-orange.fr/galerie/am/06nice.htm>
(wb, mwoffsets May 12)

The >>receiving<< station of maritime radio station
<<http://www.naya.mc/fr/frequence-radio.cfm>>

and probably some local tiny FM stations are down on the Monte Carlo harbour coastal zone. "3AC Monaco Radio" maritime receiving is located near the Oceanographic Institute and Oceanographic Museum Monte Carlo.

MCO, 3AC Monaco Radio too, maritime receiving station, within Monaco territory next to Mediterranean Seaside
43 43 55.01 N 07 25 38.59 E
<<http://static.panoramio.com/photos/original/857096.jpg>>

All other bigger maritime radio transmitter and broadcast senders are located within France soil, some 2-3 kilometers north of Monacoan-French (real non existing) border line.

3AC TX-transmitting station some 3.7 kilometers distance at
43 45 47.03 N 07 25 21.29 E on the mountain, next to
former TWR Monte Carlo shortwave antennas.

Some pictures see: <http://www.dxaktuell.de/?page_id=1892>

history of 2011 year:

Other stations in AM under MCR transmitters are -
all via France transmitter locations:

702 kHz China Radio International, Col de la Madone
43 47 39.57 N 07 24 57.73 E

1467 kHz (daytime) Radio Maria, Col de la Madone
43 47 39.57 N 07 24 57.73 E

1467 kHz (nightly) TWR from Roumoules 43 47 54.07 N 06 09 43.32 E

1350 kHz Radio Orient Fontbonne 43 47 21.42 N 07 25 06.00 E

1557 kHz France Info Fontbonne 43 47 21.42 N 07 25 06.00 E

216 kHz RMC Info from Roumoules 43 47 34.84 N 06 08 59.60 E

(Wolfgang Böschel, wwdx BC-DX TopNews May 12 via DXLD)

** MONGOLIA. 12000, 5/18 1000, VOM, Ulaanbaatar, in Chinese language; YL/OM: talks in slow Chinese; today, fair signal and poor modulation, but no interference, 35432 (José Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Praia Formosa, Cabedelo, [Paraíba], Brazil; Receiver: Degen 1103, Telescopic Portable Antenna, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** MOROCCO. Radio Medi 1 was back on shortwave on May 15:

0000-2400 on 9575 NAD 250 kW / 110 deg to NoAf Arabic/French
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/no-signal-on-shortwave-from-radio.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015 via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

MARRUECOS, 9575, Radio Mediterránea International, Nador, 1315-1321, escuchada el 15 de mayo de 2015 en francés a locutora con comentarios en programa musical, música tecno y rap; la señal es débil, no sé si fruto de la mala propagación o algún problema técnico, pero ya no se aprecia esa deficiente modulación de los últimos días, SINPO 24432. A las 1435, rábe, música, SINPO 35443. Mejorando las señal (José Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), España, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9575, 5/19 0114, R. Medi1, Nador, in Arabic; YL talks; Arabic Moroccan songs; OM talks; in last weeks, R. Mediterránea presents a good signal and a fair modulation, 45433 (José Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Praia Formosa, Cabedelo, [Paraíba], Brazil; Receiver: Degen 1103, Telescopic Portable Antenna, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

** NEPAL. FM Transmitters and Antennas from PCJ head to Nepal

Hello Everyone, Sorry if I have been unable to respond to your emails in a timely fashion. But over the last few weeks I have been in talks

with the United Nations Development Assistance Framework and their staff in Katmandu, to help in the shipment of six 500 watt transmitters and 1/4 wave antennas.

As you're aware, in the [last] few weeks Nepal has been hit by two massive earthquakes that have killed and injured thousands of people. Now, while Radio Nepal, the state broadcaster has been largely unaffected by the quakes and after shocks, many of the smaller community stations outside Katmandu have been knocked off air and have been seriously damaged.

Working with a local FM transmitter manufacturer in Taiwan, we have been able to secure 6/500 watt transmitters and antennas that will be sent to six stations. These transmitters have an adjustable power output starting from 50 watts all the way to 500 watts. The stations are located in: Birgani, Dhankuta, Jumla, Silgarhi, Pokhara and Kodari.

June 3rd they will be sent to the UN office in Hong Kong and then shipped to Katmandu via Beijing. Regards, (Keith Perron, PCJ Radio International, May 18, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. 6070 and 13800 kHz this weekend Radio Spaceshuttle International --- Very special musical program, Saturday 16th of May on 6070 kHz 0330-0530 UT. And higher frequencies propagation extra, Sunday 17th of May 2015 on 13800 20-21 UT.

Yours, Dick, Radio Spaceshuttle

Radio Spaceshuttle International
P. O. Box 2702
NL: 6049 ZG Herten
The Netherlands

A little fee (2 euros) for return postage (for full info printed QSLs) is needed! Quick response and communication is possible by e-mail: spaceshuttleradio@yahoo.com Best Regards!,
Dick of Radio Spaceshuttle
<http://spaceshuttleradio.freeservers.com>

Please note, that we have gathered all reports in here for "One-time" posting after this transmission Season January to end of June. So printed QSLs will be sent after that (and e-mail QSLs as well)

Prizes for winners will be posted same time - For 3 most reports sent persons and to 3 winners picked by Madame Fortune. With prizes there are for example Radio Spaceshuttle T-Shirts, Caps, pens, stickers, magnetics, strange music-cds, etc. (DJ Spacewalker, May 15, HCDX via

DXLD)

Probably 0230-0430, instead of announced 0330-0530; From 0430-0530 other offshore relay -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DXLD)

Fighting/blocked by CFRX over here. So what is special about it? (gh, DXLD)

Germany: Listening to R Spaceshuttle International this early morning (Saturday 16 May) since 0230 UT on 6070 kHz via Channel 292 facilities in Germany and their Boney M special and nice mix of familiar and not so familiar tracks! (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Spaceshuttle on May 16 was 0230-0430 as mentioned Alan Roe:
0230-0430 6070 ROB 010 kW / non-dir CeEu English instead of 0330-0530
0430-0530 6070 ROB 010 kW / non-dir CeEu various R.Ch 292 other relay
0530-0600 6070 SMG 250 kW / 330 deg WeEu Italian Vatican Radio strong
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/radio-spaceshuttle-on-may-16-was-0230.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, Web: <http://swldxbulgaria.blogs> May 16, dxldyg via DXLD)

SECRETLAND, Radio Spaceshuttle in English via Secretbrod on May 17
2000-2100 13800 SCB 050 kW / 306 deg to WeEu Sun + 2nd harmonic 27600:
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/radio-spaceshuttle-in-english-via.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, ibid.)

13800, 17/5 2120-2126*, Radio Spaceshuttle, end broadcast, sign-off (Giampiero Bernardini, Italy, playdx yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)
So this Sunday it ran way overtime (gh, ibid.)

** NIGERIA. and BELARUS, V of Nigeria and Belarusian Radio on May 11
0600-0700 on 9689.9 AJA 250 kW / 248 deg to WCAF Hausa V of Nigeria
0500-0700 on 15120.0 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg to NoAf English V of Nigeria
0400-0700 on 7255.0 MNS 125 kW / 072 deg to EaEu Belarusian
Belarusian Radio
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/voice-of-nigeria-and-belarusian-radio.html>

Observation of Voice of Nigeria in 0600-0630 UT time slot May 13:
0600-0630 9689.9 AJA 250 kW / 248 deg WCAF Hausa, some days till 0700
0600-0630 15120.0 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg NoAf English, scheduled 05-0700
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/observation-of-voice-of-nigeria-in-0600.html>

Anomaly of Voice of Nigeria in Monday, May 11

1700-1730 9690 IKO 250 kW / 248 deg WCAF English, instead of Igbo
1730-1800 15120 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg NoAf Eng instead of Arabic + DRM
from 1752 15120vAJA 250 kW / 248 deg to WCAF Eng DRM, sched from 1800
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/anomaly-of-voice-of-nigeria-in-monday.html>

Voice of Nigeria problem with modulation continues again on May 15.
Modulation of transmitter in Ikorodu is like a Radio Cairo or Radio
Pakistan:
0700-0800 on 15120 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg to NoAf English, not French,
good as usual
1500-1600 on 15120 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg to NoAf English awful
modulation
1600-1630 on 9690 IKO 250 kW / 248 deg to ECAF Swahili
awful modulation
1630-1700 on 9690 IKO 250 kW / 248 deg to WCAF Yoruba awful
modulation
1700-1730 on 9690 IKO 250 kW / 248 deg to WCAF Igbo awful modulation
1730-1800 on 15120 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg to NoAf Arabic awful
modulation
1800-2000 on 7255vIKO 250 kW / 248 deg to WCAF English, IKO or AJA,
third tx?????
1800-2000 on 15120vAJA 250 kW / 248 deg to WCAF English DRM
[\(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015
via DXLD\)](http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/voice-of-nigeria-problem-with.html)

May 11:

Voice of Nigeria in English, instead of Igbo to WCAF 1725 on 9690
Ikorodu
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AdMjAd5EV70&feature=youtu.be>

Voice of Nigeria in English, instead of Arabic to NoAf 1733 on 15120
Ikorodu
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M2k5oGjMYvA&feature=youtu.be>

Voice of Nigeria in English, instead of Arabic to NoAf 1754 on
15120Ikorodu+DRM via Abuja
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1LUE_oFHIw4&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria in English, instead of Arabic to NoAf 1756 on
15120Ikorodu+DRM via Abuja
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xdn_GR-8kII&feature=youtu.be

May 12:

Voice of Nigeria in English, instead of Yoruba to WCAF 1638 on 9690
Ikorodu
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LmiJdZ-WwjE&feature=youtu.be>

Voice of Nigeria in English to WCAF 1815 on 7255 Ikorodu
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ysaUG5RdISg&feature=youtu.be>

May 13:

Voice of Nigeria in English, instead of Arabic to NoAf 1735 on 15120 Ikorodu
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZXvAPPPUEAA&feature=youtu.be>

May 15:

Voice of Nigeria in English, instead of French to NoAf 0755 on 15120 Ikorodu
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q0serTZ64WY&feature=youtu.be>

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in English to NoAf 1514 on 15120 Ikorodu
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S7gzKozR2DQ&feature=youtu.be>

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in English to NoAf 1530 on 15120 Ikorodu
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XVZ-2Xth4RQ&feature=youtu.be>

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in English to NoAf 1545 on 15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LtotWA2_GjE&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in Swahili to ECAF 1609 on 9690 Ikorodu and off
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rEcJifJKIyc&feature=youtu.be>

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in Yoruba to WCAF 1648 on 9690 Ikorodu
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zs4ht9Ravy4&feature=youtu.be>

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in Igbo to WCAF 1700 on 9690 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=77Q_zCJ-B-I&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in Arabic to NoAf 1735 on 15120 Ikorodu
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MyV9ckXApNM&feature=youtu.be>

Voice of Nigeria in English to WCAF 1812 on 7254,9 Ikorodu or Abuja, 15119.9 DRM Abuja
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EL5I1zi1b5E&feature=youtu.be>

May 16:

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in English to NoAf 0515 on

15120 Ikorodu

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=axhRy00q02Y&feature=youtu.be>

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in French to NoAf 0659 on 15120
Ikorodu

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U9zaWbm2mkE&feature=youtu.be>

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in English to NoAf 1508 on
15120 Ikorodu

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VWcmWUHdiJQ&feature=youtu.be>
(Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of Nigeria in English, instead of French to NoAf 0755 on 15120
Ikorodu

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q0serTZ64WY&feature=youtu.be>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, May 15, dxldyg via DXLD)

15120, Morning service of VON English at 09-10 UT heard this May 15 at S=9 or -72dBm level. Accompanied by the whining audio noise sound, spurious of 6 x 800 Hertz spurs each sideband. [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz, as usual since 2008 year] wb (Wolfgang Bischel, dxldyg via DXLD)

Voice of Nigeria problem with modulation on 15120 continues again 1500-1600 on May 15. Modulation of transmitter in Ikorodu is like a Radio Cairo or Radio Pakistan, videos later today -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

15120, Voice of Nigeria, Ikorodu, 1516-1519, escuchada el 15 de mayo de 2015 en inglés a locutor y locutora con comentarios, mala modulación, a pesar de la fuerte señal la emisión se hace inaudible, SINPO 24442 (José Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), España, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7255 & 9690, May 16 at 0628 check, no signals from VON, so either not on for 0600 Hausa this date, or I tuned in too late (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation, 3 videos on May 16

<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/voice-of-nigeria-problem-with.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, dxldyg via DXLD)

9690, Voice of Nigeria, Ikorodu, 1618-1622, escuchada el 16 de mayo de 2015 en swahili a locutora con entrevista a invitada, señal fuerte con mala modulación, SINPO 34442 (José Miguel Romero, Sacañet (Castellón), España, YAESU FRG-7700, Antena hilo 10m, dxldyg via DXLD)

15120, Voice of Nigeria, Ikorodu, 0558-0610, 16-05, English, comments,

identification: "Voice of Nigeria", news. Strong signal but very bad modulation. 44444.

Also heard 0700-0710, 17-05, with program in French, good signal and very bad modulation. Also 0910-0958*, 17-05, English, "Voice of Nigeria, "Nigerian popular music". Clear signal with good modulation at this time. 34433 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Grundig Satellit 500, Tecsun PL-880, Sony ICF SW 7600G, Cable antenna, 8 meters and Degen 31MS active loop antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15120-, May 17 at 0552, obviously VON with wobbly AM carrier slightly on the lo side. Supposed to be in English, apparently a drama with excited W & M actors, but I can't lock into understanding them. Is it heavily accented or really something else? At one point it almost sounds like French intonation. But at 0555 switch to studio announceress who is definitely in English.

9689.9, May 17 at 0557, drumming and fluting, good signal, some distortion, 0600 sign-on in Hausa.

7255-, May 17 at 0558, // 9689.9 but much weaker; no SAH. Anyhow, three transmitters are accounted for now, and on three frequencies instead of two (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9690, Voice of Nigeria, Ikorodu, 0552-0603, escuchada el 17 de mayo de 2015 en øausa? a locutor con comentarios acompaÑado de m'sica de fondo, emisiÛn de m'sica africana, m'sica Ètnica instrumental, sufre micro cortes en la emisiÛn, SINPO 24322 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, SacaÒet (CastellÛn), EspaÑa, YAESU FRG-7700, Antena hilo 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

BELARUS and NIGERIA: Belarussian Radio and Voice of Nigeria on May 18:
0600-0700 7255.0 MNS 125 kW / 072 deg EaEu HS-1 Belarussian Radio
0600-0630 9689.9 AJA 250 kW / 248 deg WCAF Hausa Voice of Nigeria
0600-0700 15120.0 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg NoAf English Voice of Nigeria
0700-0800 15120.0 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg to NoAf French Voice of Nigeria
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/belorussian-radio-and-voice-of-nigeria.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, May 18, dxldyg via DXLD)

Yes, modulation is again awful today [15120?], but different from normal awfulness. Dull and scratchy, similar to the live stream which is currently on (1500+), loud, but with additional hum and too much bass. 73 (Thorsten Hallmann, 1511 UT May 18, dxldyg via DXLD)

Writing down this, newscast on the livestream is interrupted leaving

only a noise, while 15120 continues with awful audio. So they are not taking the livestream as audio feed for the transmitter. 73 (Thorsten, 1517 UT May 18, *ibid.*)

15120-, May 19 at 0600, VON news in English, distorted modulation, and carrier wobbling, but good signal level, better than 15580 VOA Botswana.

9689.9, good // 7255- [NOT 7275 as mistyped in original report: must have been thinking of a previous Nigerian regional], May 19 at 0601, fair signal in Hausa, so 3 VON transmitters still on (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7255, Voice of Nigeria; 2145-2158:26*, 20-May; W in Afro-language with Afro tunes -- couple sounding very Cubano; she mentioned "Hi-Life". M in unknown language at 2154 mentioned "Lagos", into tune; M at 2157+ mentioned "Nigeria" into band anthem & off after tone. SI0=333-, need SSB for ARO splash (Harold Fodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 65 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA [non]. 12050, 5/18 1845, USA, Dandal Kura Radio, Ascension-G, in Kanuri; YL/OM: talks, happy converstion; ID, Addr, website, Postal Addr to Nigeria; good signal and fair modulation, 45433 (JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Praia Formosa, Cabedelo, [ParaÌba], Brazil; Receiver: Degen 1103, Telescopic Portable Antenna, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. PIRATE-NA. UNID--Liberty Rock Radio/LRR 97.8 Rock Radio Relay, 6955 USB, 0101-0138*, 05-08-15, SI0: 444, Someone playing a soundtrack from Grand Theft Auto IV, see
http://gta.wikia.com/Liberty_Rock_Radio_97.8

PIRATE-NA. Radio Free Whatever, 6935 USB, 0105-0155*, 05-11-15, SI0: 454. Dick Weed's "Hot MILF's Mother's Day Show". Testing his new AMP which was overheating at times, but audio sounded great. Taking requests from listeners, swearing at the amp, etc. Nice show from DW (Chris Lobdell, Box 80146, Stoneham, MA 02180 USA, Receivers: Eton E1, NRD-545; Aerials: G5RV, 40 Meter Dipole, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6950-AM, UT Sat May 16 at 0535, narrative in English with deep fades but fair peaks when a few words are copied: arms business, organized crime in America, cold dead hands. Voice synthetic? Not sure. 0539, ``Radio Garbanzo --- Gary, shut the *uc*ing door`` with ecstatic feminine SFX, Garbanzo mentioned again, novelty song. 0547 another polemic about the US Constitution and right to weapons. Haven't heard any pirates lately earlier in the evening, so surprised to find one on so late, and then another on 6875.

It seems the mostly-eastern pirate monitoring crew were not expecting anything this late either, as the only log at hfunderground is unID:

``UNID 6950 / 6875 AM 0516 UTC 16 May 2015 ' on: Today at 15:15 a SDR recording catch. Sign on seemed to be 0516, weak carrier noted, with some music. Off at 0601? Back on 6875 AM at 0602? About the same signal strength. Off a minute or two later. Back on 6875 at 0607. Off at 0645? Chris Smolinski Westminster, MD``

6875-, AM, May 16 at 0610, found a second pirate on way late (assuming it's from eastern North America), slightly on the lo side, poor-fair with hard rock music, then ``shortwaveghost@---.com`` address; 0614 another brief announcement, ID? and more hard rock; still on at 0626 when I quit. Not the same as the 6950 station.

Several reports earlier in evening of Shortwave Ghost, 6875 or 6872.8:
<http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,21762.0.html>
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I logged my first shortwave pirate, Radio True North, 6925 Friday night at 823pm [PDT = UT Saturday May 16 at 0323]. I'm fighting some electrical noise so the signal isn't as good as it could be... 250W, west coast signal. Link below is an mp3 of the signal
http://www.onairdj.com/RadioTrueNorth_6925_05152015_823pm.mp3
(Paul B Walker, Redding CA, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Music, ID at end

** OKLAHOMA. 1120, May 17 at 2100 UT check, KEOR/KETU is still off.
Also off May 18 at 1835 UT (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA [non]. KKZZ-1520 in Port Hueneme is still off the air. It's night pattern has a huge null to the east and southeast to protect Oklahoma City. With it off I have just barely been able to hear country music that I assume is KKXA. I also was just barely hearing talk that I assume was KOKC running 12.5 kW with its STA using one of its old half wavelength towers. After the tornado the temporary tower is around one quarter wavelength and the power is 10 kW. I don't hear that at all (Dennis Gibson, CA, Sent from my iPhone, 17 May, IRCA via DXLD)

** OKLAHOMA. 1610, May 18 at 1852 UT on caradio at a quiet location in western Enid, NWS synthetic YL is barely audible including Wichita conditions, so it's the Great Salt Plains State Park/NWR TIS, northwest of Enid, WQCL720, which AFAIK does nothing but relay NOAA Weather Radio, a default banned by the FCC as recently reaffirmed; and which provides a great public service, as who has a 162 MHz radio in their dashboard? See also USA bandscan, 530 from KS with Wichita too (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 2899.76 approx., May 15 at 0839 UT brief awakening, C&W music is audible despite heavy storm noise over OK/TX. Lacking the QRN, should be easily copyable. Up at 1323 UT, it's the first thing I try again, and there it is on the FRG-7 with E/W longwire (and Altus is SSW), quite readable steady signal with good modulation in M&M sports discussion about football, hockey, MLB.

Recorded three excerpts and put into one file:
<http://www.w4uvh.net/KWHWx2.ram>

1329 UT ``Country KWHW'', humidity 81%, dewpoint 60, 1330 UT join Oklahoma News Network, first item about listeria at the Blue Bell plant;

1335 UT, ``Smiley's, one half block south of Walmart in Altus'', into Daily Dose with Dr Oz, about Lyme Disease; then promo ``Original Swap Shop Monday-Saturday on KWHW 93.5 and AM 1450'', 1337 UT C&W music.

1359 UT, still in, C&W, ID and into ABC News.

I measured the frequency at 1400 UT when there was still enough signal to do so on the DX-398 compared to WWV 2500.000, using only interior random wire. By now it's weakening a bit, but the signal has been quite steady and I wouldn't be surprised if, local noise level permitting, it's audible all day here. The city-to-city distance Altus to Enid is 236 km = 147 statute miles. Today's Enid SR/SS = 1125 UT/0131 UT. Have yet to check for it in the evenings.

Neither in the night nor the day have I yet been able to detect any carrier on the lo side of 1450, leading me to suspect that KWHW is so out of order that most (all?) of its 668 watts are mistuned, going out on the second harmonic! However, KWHW never makes it here on daytime groundwave, 1450 instead a tossup between the two other OK stations, KSIW Woodward and KGFF Shawnee. It seems I have never made a definite log of KWHW 1450 altho maybe as a SAH against the others.

As with all harmonix, as long as they are not doing damage to a legit occupant of the frequency, and none are known on 2900, I urge DXers to let them be, do not complain, do not contact the station for a QSL lest they be led to fix the problem before more of us can hear it.

Tnx to Dave Valko's tip, who first heard it in PA May 14 at 0946 past 1000 UT, measured on 2899.753, and wondered if I could hear the fundamental on 1449.877.

2899.75 approx., further chex of the KWHW Altus second harmonic:

0112 UT May 16, there it is with YL talk, phone-in, vs heavy storm noise from TX panhandle area.

0128 UT May 16, I try to hear any trace of a LAH below 1450, but cannot. Really not transmitting on the fundamental??

How about higher harmonix? I check 4350 and 5800, May 16 at 1137 UT, but nothing. There's a big ute circa 4345.

1142 UT, 2900- is still audible with narrative, western accent, and may well be that syndicated cowboy show with Red whatshisname, then C&W song.

KWHW has an active website, <http://kwhw.com> but apparently with no plain old program schedule, a defect of so many stations. What are they thinking???

Has a variety of rotating slogans. Shown on the website logo are PURE COUNTRY and Love Our Country. Positioning implies they apply respectively to AM and FM, so not duplicating? I hear dual IDs as if they are. Separate streams are also offered. The K of the callsign is a boot with a notch at the top.

At 1238 UT, a bit stronger with C&W music. Still audible at 1408 UT, but weaker. 1411 canned YL ID as ``The home of the ----, KWHW'', probably referring some local SBG team, sounded like with E's in it. Website mentions Lady Bulldogs for BKB, out of season but with a camp pending. Then into a `honky-tonk` tune. 1418 UT, ``KWHW AM & FM ----` another slogan I can't copy. 1423 UT some ads; 1430 UT ``KWHW 93.5 and AM 1450`` by same YL. Time to turn off and tune in Mexican TVDX.

2899.75 approx., May 18 at 0552 tune-in, ``AM Stereo 1450, KWHW and 93.5, together loving our country`` --- one of a large variety of canned slogan IDs all voiced by same YL, never mentioning 2900! and into music. Good and steady signal, S9+20 on the FRG-7 with E-W longwire, best heard yet and not much storm noise now.

Altus harmonic is still radiating for the fifth day. If one did not know better, could easily be taken for an intentional 'SW' broadcast, far outstripping the JBA signal sometimes on 2660 from KGLD Tyler TX. Still not a trace of a carrier on what would be the fundamental on the low side of 1450, night or day. So would the AM stereo decode on 2900v? Not listed on 1450 as \$ in NRC AM Log. Why doesn't she say their FM is stereo too, as it surely must be? (Glenn Hauser, Enid, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

2899.75, KWHW, Altus, OK, A readable signal here again at 0936, so stayed with it and caught the weather ending with iÖpure country KWHWî

ID, then another canned ID by M at 0959. Wasn't as fady today as yesterday but the peaks were better yesterday. A Youtube video is at https://youtu.be/8Q1_hfq4SsE

(19 May) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, USA, HCDX via DXLD)

2899.75, May 19 at 1327 UT, a bihour after sunrise, KWHW Altus quite audible on second harmonic, as ``sports from the Sports Leader'', ``Go, Bulldogs!``, and lots of local sponsors named; 1330 UT joining Randy Renner on the Oklahoma News Network (out of OKC) (Glenn Hauser, Enid, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Gone by May 21

** OKLAHOMA. Another tornado outbreak Saturday evening May 16 led the OKC TV stations again to drop everything for wall-to-wall storm coverage. As usual, the only network news making it thru was CBS' at 2230 UT, shifted from KWTV RF 39 to its substation KSBI RF 23; but at 2300 UT, back to KSBI regular programming. I suppose the primetime schedule after 0000 UT May 17 again went back to channel ``52'', unchecke. NBC viewers of KFOR RF 27 out of luck until 0330 UT for SNL season finale. KOCO again shifted ABC from 5.1 to 5.2, pre-empting MeTV on RF 7.

OKC didn't get hit, after tornados broke out to the west, but as the storm front approached The Metro, I checked the FM & AM stations circa 0130 UT May 17:

Relaying KFOR 4 audio: 94.7, 96.1, 101.9, 102.7, 1000
Relaying KWTV 9 audio: 92.5, 93.3, 104.1, 107.7, 1520
Relaying KOCO 5 audio: 99.7, 88.1 [KWOU Woodward relaying 106.3]
Relaying KOKH 25 audio: NONE

Following retained regular programming of music, public radio or sports talk (tho might have had weather advisory break-ins): 90.1, 91.7, 96.9, 98.1, 98.9, 100.5, 640, 930; and all gospel huxters commercial or non- (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 104.5, May 18 at 1931 UT, bandscan on caradio in western Enid finds new signal (to me) here, stereo pilot on but not strong enough to break into it audibly, and not very hi-fi, playing slow hymn with multiple verses, ``Softly & Tenderly``; wonder if it could be an RF feeder from a nearby car in parking lot, but no peak as I walk around with an eye on the PL-880 signal meter. Signal gets Doppler flutters from Vance jets overflying, so it's propagating from afar. 1935 segue to another; 1940 ``we are the station bringing hymn?-balance to your heart``, into some classical music. But soon back to gospel/hymns.

Next I need to drive eastward in Enid, but losing the signal by downtown. At home, from my second-floor monitoring post, waving the

whip around, at 2050 UT May 18 I get a bit of another cute slogan
``Your station playing only Him-balanced [?] music ---`` but still no
real ID. (At 2052 UT, KRXO ID makes it thru, i.e. the OKC 250-watt
translator K283BW to which Classic Rock KRXO 107.7 has been demoted).

Finally at 2101 UT May 18 on the DX-398 with antenna vertical I retain
a weak signal, ``You're listening to hymnbalancedradio.com [?] and
KZBU[?] FM Mooreland``, 2103 into USA Radio ``news``.

So this is really KZZW in Mooreland OK, little town just east of
Woodward, as listed by WTFDA with 62/62 kW and 366/366 meters, format
as CHR, which certainly is not the case now. Only from
<http://radio-locator.com/info/KZZW-FM>
do we get the proper slogan and website:

KZZW-FM 104.5 MHz
Mooreland, Oklahoma
"In-balance Radio"
Station Format: Classical
Website:
<http://inbalancemusic.com/>

So I gave them too much cuteness credit for ``Him- or Hymn-balanced``.
I have a feeling this doesn't originate in Mooreland or even Woodward.

I wonder how long KZZW has been on the air, but such basic info is not
easily found at FCC FM Query. I do find that the original licensee,
Brooke Williams Trissel, changed her name last year following a
divorce from Matthew Wayne Trisell, in Williamson County TX, to Brooke
Deann Williams, of Irving TX.

And the classical is only incidental to the Christian. Info at radio-
locator shows original power was 250 watts, license granted March 30,
2012, but CP for ``62 kW may now be on air``, and that was to expire
on April 15, 2015. I'd say, it is on air, yes indeed. Probably just
made it. Predicted coverage map shows fringe contour reaching into our
western Garfield County from site SSW of Woodward in its county.

** OKLAHOMA. 104.5, May 20 at 0134 UT, ``Classic Rock Station 104-5``,
i.e. the 250-watt OKC translator K283BW, carrying what used to be KRXO
on 107.7 main channel, presumably still now demoted there to an IBOC
subchannel, but not mentioned. Anyhow I was looking for the new 62 kW
but slightly further Mooreland station recently discovered, KZZW; not
heard even from my second floor. Was it just testing with PTA before?
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. 15140, Radio Sultanate of Oman, 1410 UT with English relay of
"The Nation's Station" FM with top 40 pop songs and ID's as "Radio

Sultanate of Oman Ninety-four point four" repeated twice. Sounded just like the Radio Bahrain IDs I was hearing a few weeks back. Perhaps using the same jingle production company? Fair to Good, May 16 2015.
73 (Mick Delmage, Sherwood Park, AB, Rx: Collins HF2050; Ant KLM 7-30 MHz Log Periodic; DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN [and non]. 15485, R Pakistan (presumed), 1340-1400+ 18 May. Wobbly carrier, but readable modulation. Urdu chat/music with fan-fare and 3 pips at TOH, "maybe" an ID and followed by news items/music bridges. CNR1-15495 opens up versus V of Tibet (15492 *1402) with characteristic wide modulation, splattering RP into the ground (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA, May 21, G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15485, Radio Pakistan (presumed), 1414-1433, May 18. Many thanks to Dan Sheedy for this tip, as he has been intensely monitoring them recently; reciting from the Qur'an; sounded like Urdu; Islamic music and chanting; weak. Has been many years since I last heard Pakistan! (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15730, 5/19 0200, R. Pakistan, Islamabad, in Urdu; bip time; OM: talks; After many times, R. Pakistan transmission returns this time, but the signal is very poor and modulation barely audible; 0210 UT s/off, 25432/25431 (JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Praia Formosa, Cabedelo, [ParaÌba], Brazil; Receiver: Degen 1103, Telescopic Portable Antenna, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** PALAU. 9930, Sunday May 17 at 1315, fair signal with 'Easy English Study', based on what else? Bible, now Hebrews X:38. Hunting thru WHR website, it's not Angel 3 or Angel 4, but Angel 5, whose coverage map is supposedly Africa and Middle East from Turkey to Iran. HFCC shows:

``9930 1300 1430 43-45 HBN 100 345 0 146 1234567 290315 251015 D 9900 MyaEng USA HBN FCC`` --- CIRAF 43-45 are in fact China and Japan!

Here's the program I heard:

``1315-1330 9:15 AM-9:30 AM Su Easy English Studies Loretta Li 9.930``

The Angel 5 schedule

<http://lesea.com/whr/whr-iframe-page/?search=Angel5>

is a strange thing, ``off the air`` at 00-07, but large hours of programming when it's supposedly not ``off the air`` yet with no frequency shown: 07-12, and 1630/1700-2400.

In the 1200-1630/1700 period it hops around to a variety of frequencies depending on the hour, day of week, and customer: 9950, 9930, 9960, 9975, and a few bits on 17520, which is not in the

registrations at all (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3384.9, NBC East New Britain-Rabaul, (Tentative), at 0913, on 12 May. A male speaker is talking. There are snippets of music playing. Signal faded out completely at 0915. JBA (John Cooper, Lebanon, PA, Winradio-G33DDC, CommRadio CR-1a, RF Space-SDR-IQ, Sangean ATS-909X with Clear Mod, Tecsun PL-660, GAP-Hear It In Line Module, TIMEWAVE ANC-4, Wellbrook ALA-1530S+, PARS-SWL End Fed x 2, NASWA Flashsheet May 17 via DXLD)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 7324.96, Wantok Radio Light, 1357-1408, May 18. Preaching in Pidgin after CRI signed off; 1359-1401 PNG choral National Anthem, which seems to now be a regular feature about this time period (give or take a few minutes); 1406 "This is Wantok Radio Light, your inspirational station" and the often heard road safety PSA ("Speeding kills . . . never forget road safety"); after 1401 mostly Christian religious songs in English (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7324.96, Wantok R. Light, 0906 W journalist ended her report with mention of NBC during the news. (20 May) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, HCDX via DXLD)

** PERU. CQ, CQ, CQ --- Aquí Pedro F. Arrunategui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano; todas las horas son UT. Desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

4774.90, PER/, R. Tarma, Junín; 13/05 2220-2250, 44444, ID "Por Radio Tarma" advs varios, mx f huayno en español.

4824.48, PER/, R. La Voz de la Selva, Iquitos, 11/05 0025-0040, 22222, mx varias, ID "Cuando estás escuchando LV de la Selva", mx, ID "Estás escuchando LVS". La señal se va y viene; por momentos fue necesario usar los audífonos)

4939.98, PER/, R. San Antonio, Villa Atalaya, Ucayali; 6/05 2320-2332, 44444, mx, ID "San Antonio", 2331 s/off sin previo aviso, solo pasan ID y cortan señal. NOTA: sale de vez en cuando.

4955.00, PER/, R. Cultural Amauta, Huanta; 2/05 0005-0025, 44444, mx, ID "Por Radio Cultural Amauta", mx moderna, px Energía 33 DC

4985.50, PERU, R. Voz Cristiana, Chilca. Huancayo; 17/05 1140-1200, 44444, programa religioso Cruzada Salvaciún de Dios en el valle del Mantaro, ID "Radio Voz Cristiana", advs

5024.92, PER/, R. Quillabamba, Quillabamba, Cusco; 11/05 1105-1140,

44444, news, ID iA todos los oyentes de Radio Quillabamba", advs Representaciones Santo Domingo.

La recepcióUn la he efectuado del 2/05 al 17/05 en compaÒìa de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÑado del Mizuho KX-3, MFJ-1025 con antena auxiliar, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop y ahora tambiËn con un ELAD FDM-S1, antena Mini Whip y Splitter ASA 4 x 2, (Gracias mil a los colegas integrantes del MCDXT (locos son·mbulo de la ionosfera) quienes en coordinaciÛn con Francesco Clemente, hicieron posible la llegada de estos equipos a mi QTH). NOTA: Para un mejor escucha de las grabaciones que adjunto, sugiero escuchar con los audÌfonos. Muchos 218is PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Per', CHASQUI DX PFA ñ MAYO 2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, COLOMBIA, CUBA, ECUADOR, GUATEMALA

** PERU. 5024.95, R. Quillabamba, OC on at 0955:41, then possible music at 0958. 1000 what sounded like a fanfare with canned M announcer. Soft music, and at 1001 definite live M announcer. It was just too weak. Our sunrise is too early now. (20 May) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, HCDX via DXLD)

** PERU. 5980, May 20 at 0110, JBA carrier from R. Chaski, until cutoff at 0111:58.5*, which is 61.5 seconds later than last log a dekaday ago on May 10 at 0110:57*, i.e. averaging 6.15 seconds later per (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PUERTO RICO. WOSO-1030, San Juan, has been silent since Oct. 21 (2014) per its web site <http://www.wosoradio.net> where it is soliciting donations to return to the air (NRC DX News May 25 via DXLD) Was island's only(?) English-language outlet (gh)

** PUNTLAND. SOMALIA, Puntland Radio One on May 11 and 13 with HOA misic, ID and prayers, 1430-1600 on 13800 GRW 020 kW / non-dir to EaAf Italian/English/Somali CUSB:
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/puntland-radio-on-may-11-with-hoa-music.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015 via DXLD)

May 11:

Puntland Radio One, HOA music 1430 on 13800 Garoowe CUSB
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_hEqqRNW1tc&feature=youtu.be

Puntland Radio One, HOA music 1452 on 13800 Garoowe CUSB
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zh9k3EczPD4&feature=youtu.be>

Puntland Radio One, HOA music, ID in Italian, English, Somali 1526 on 13800 Garoowe CUSB

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eGVx1hGQY8w&feature=youtu.be>

Puntland Radio One, prayers 1540 on 13800 Garoowe CUSB

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bAlUYUni1ps&feature=youtu.be>

May 13:

Puntland Radio One, HOA music, ID 1457 on 13800 Garoowe CUSB

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g2cewku81i8&feature=youtu.be>

Puntland Radio One, prayers, 1557 on 13800 Garoowe CUSB

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2UPcwAqny0M&feature=youtu.be>

13800, Puntland Radio One (Garowe) 1335-1421 13 May. JBA at tune-in, improving to poor-but-readable after 1400; mostly chat in Somali + some HOA tunes & usual tri-lingual IDs/email/phone # info at 1346, 1415, 1421. Unheard 12/14/15 May at 1340, 1400, 1415 checks, so perhaps on limited testing schedule? Re: my 6 May log in DXLD 15-18 of "Radio Puntland One" -- not really, just a result of typing fingers ahead of brain, apologies for the goof (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13800, May 15 at 1327, no signal from R. Puntland, (nor from 13798-USB intruder), while 13795 Iran weakly audible. Off again? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13800, May 16 at 1240, JBA carrier, presumed Puntland Radio active.

13800, May 17 at 1307, very poor signal in talk, then into Qur'an, so certainly Puntland Radio (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13800 (AM+USB), Puntland Radio One, 1312, May 19. Somewhat different format; series of consecutive IDs, one after another, before going into their actual programming with announcers, in assume Somali; 1340 single set of the usual Italian/English/Somali IDs; 1342 start of reciting from the Qur'an; at times almost fair (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13800, May 19 at 1332, JBA carrier from presumed R. Puntland; and a reduced one at that (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Puntland Radio One on May 19 from around 1300 until 1550 UT s/off
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/puntland-radio-one-on-may-19-from.html>-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

13800 (AM+USB), Puntland Radio One at 1232, May 20 with reciting from the Qur'an; gone during later checks; off early unlike yesterday, so still with a very flexible schedule (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13800, PRO (Garowe) 1333, 1347 19 May. Poor but readable with lively Somali chat/enthusiastic crowd response followed by Qur'an recitations. Apparently somewhat irregular as unheard on 18, 20, 21 May at 1335-1400 checks (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RWANDA [non]. MADAGASCAR, Radio Imara, Radio Impala with music and full ID on May 15
from 1802 17540 MDC 250 kW / 310 deg SoAf Mon/Wed/Fri starting with mx
from 1805 17540 MDC 250 kW / 310 deg SoAf Mon/Wed/Fri K'rwanda/Eng/Fre
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/radio-imara-radio-impala-with-music-and.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015 via DXLD)

No trace from R. Imara in Kinyarwanda, R. Impala in English/French:
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/no-trace-from-rimara-in-kinyarwanda.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 19, ibid.)

Again no trace from Radio Imara in Kinyarwanda, Radio Impala in English and French: 1802-1900 on 17540 MDC 250 kW / 310 deg to SoAf Mon/Wed/Fri no signal on May 18/20 -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 20, dxldyg via DXLD)

** RWANDA [non]. FRANCE, Good reception of Radio Inyabutatu at new time on Sat, May 16:
1802-1900 17605 ISS 100 kW / 144 deg SoAf K'rwanda Sat, ex 21480 16-17
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/good-reception-of-radio-inyabutatu-on.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SERBIA [non]. SERBIA vs KOREA D.P.R., International Radio Serbia vs KCBS Pyongyang:
1730-1800 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Italian Inter Radio Serbia
2000-1800 6100 KNG 100 kW / non-dir to NEAs Korean KCBS Pyongyang
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/international-radio-serbia-vs-kcbs.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015 via DXLD)

** SEYCHELLES [non]. U.K.(non) Frequency change of FEBA Radio Sadaye Zindagi from May 13:
1500-1530 NF 9445 ERV 300 kW / 100 deg to WeAs Dari, ex 9590*, videos * to avoid PBS Xizang in Tibetan. Another co-ch of FEBA and PBS Xizang
1430-1500 on 9500 TAC 100 kW / 131 deg to SoAs Hindi, 6 videos May 14
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/frequency-change-of-feba-radio-sadaye.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 15, dxldyg via DXLD)

See also AFGHANISTAN [non]; ARMENIA

** SLOVAKIA [non]. I was monitoring for a few days despite inadequate reception conditions. Slow improvement on 11580 kHz. Bye, Richard typed: May 17, 2015

``Richard: This is to let you know that we [WRMI] are going to add a frequency to the broadcasts of Radio Slovakia International in Slovak and in English to North America. In addition to 5850 kHz daily at 0000-0030 in Slovak and 0030-0100 in English, we will add 11580 kHz as well during the summer months beginning immediately and until further notice. Thanks very much for your help. Jeff`` (via Richard Lemke, Alberta, May 17, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Additional transmissions of Radio Slovakia Inter via WRMI Okeechobee:
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/additional-transmissions-of-radio.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 19, dxldyg via DXLD)

** SOLOMON ISLANDS. 5020.0, May 16 at 1151, SIBC with better poor signal than usual, so I can axually copy some of the YL talk which seems like it's in plain English; not much problem with QubaRM 5025 still there but weakening. At 1156 she says ``thank you so much for your company`` and turns it over to an over-assertive OM gospel huxter for presumed closing devotional, violating Separation of Church and State: mentions people of Israel, Jesus, Solomon Islands, Satan, judgment, runs past 1200. 1201.4 back to YL for sign-off, maybe mentions 9 MHz? 1203 NA until 1204.3, carrier off at 1204.6* (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5020, SIBC; Rebelde was off. 0836 W giving PSAs and messages ending with IDs at 0840. Canned announcement, then W returned with program notes briefly, and M with press feature, and then ads at 0843, followed by W very briefly with ID and TC at 0845. C&W song on return at 0858. 0900 W DJ with brief program notes and TC, different W with feature intro and M with iBible Readingî. Current pop songs at 0932. 0949 nice iVoice of the Nationî ID promo by several people, then ad/PSA block. 0959 into iCalifornia Girlsî by David Lee Roth. Youtube video of the ID promo at
https://youtu.be/qLM2B_-z4vo
(20 May) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA USA, HCDX via DXLD)

I heard them too this AM around 0950 in 5020. Surprisingly good signal at the downtown condo (Mike Nikolich N9OVQ, Lake Barrington, IL USA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook Loop Antenna, May 20, HCDX via DXLD)

** SOUTH CAROLINA [non]. 3185, May 19 at 0603, WWRB is on with the all-knowing screen reader of Brother Scare. Ops seem back to more or less normal, 9370 still on with BS at 0127 May 20, much stronger than

the other transmitter on 3185 with other gospel huxters (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN. 18146-USB, May 14 at 2106, A0150H calling CQ17 in English, hampered by much stronger rag-chewer on 18145.35-USB. QRZ.com lookup shows this is one of a ``dream team`` of Spanish hams in the URE organization with a special trophy to commemorate the sesquicentennial of the ITU, in operation May 1-30. But no info on their locations. I first checked 12 and 15 m, deads (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA. 11905, May 20 at 0114, just before SLBC carrier comes on, the frequency is hit by a couple of ute QRM BLAAPs following 3 beeps; then theme music is JBA, as is the mistimesignal ending at 0115:19 which I have come to consider nominal for them (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [and non]. "Voice of Africa" on 7205 -- and a lot of non-logs

Just caught the ID "Voice of Africa" on 7205 at 1825, while 9505 is silent.

Missing today: 7175 + 7200 Eritrea, 7255 + 15120 DRM Voice of Nigeria after 1800, 13800 Puntland Radio One and 11735 Zanzibar throughout the afternoon. No trace also just after 1800 also from 4976 Uganda, 5010v Madagascar, 6115 Congo. 73 (Thorsten Hallmann, Germany, 1830 UT May 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN. Wrong or new frequency for Voice of Africa/Sudan Radio on Monday, May 18

1830-1930 NF 7205 ALF 100 kW / 210 deg to CeAf Hausa+videos, please check other

1630-1830 NF 7205 ALF 100 kW / 210 deg to CeAf French/English as scheduled A-15

<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/wrong-or-new-frequency-for-voice-of.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello, I checked it today on an SDR receiver operated by Alex, in Ariel, Israel. I didn't hear Sudan from 1520 to 1840 UT on 7205 today (19.05.2015.) The most prominent was the Chinese station broadcasting in Uighur. Regards, (Tibor Gaal, Budapest, Hungary, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of Africa, Sudan Radio was back on frequency 9505 kHz, May 19 1630-1830 9505*ALF 100 kW / 210 deg CeAf French/English, as scheduled 1830-1930 9505*ALF 100 kW / 210 deg CeAf Hausa instead of 7205 May 18 * strong QRM Radio Romania International in French/Romanian on 9500, videos:

<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/voice-of-africa-sudan-radio-was-back-on.html>

(Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

** SUDAN [and non]. 11645, May 15 at 0515, R. Dabanga via VATICAN remains here ex-11650, poor signal, while the tone jamming remains JBA on 11650-11651. // 13800 via MADAGASCAR, May 15 at 0518, is fair signal and no jamming audible for a change (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

VATICANO, 15150, Radio Dabanga, Santa Maria di Galeria, 1814-1818, escuchada el 15 de mayo de 2015 en sudanÈs a locutor con entrevista a invitada; me llama la atenciÛn lo r·pido que habla en comparaciÛn con el ritmo del locutor, emisiÛn en paralelo por 15550, SINPO 34433

15550, Radio Tamazuj, Santa Maria di Galeria, 1503-1515, escuchada el 15 de mayo de 2015 en sudanÈs a locutora con noticias con referencias a Sud·n, conexiÛn con corresponsales, emisiÛn en paralelo por 17600, no capto nada en 15150, menciona a iAman Abdul·i, iRadioÖi, SINPO 44444 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), EspaÙa, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) So no jamming at all? (gh)(

13800, May 16 at 0526, R. Dabanga via MADAGASCAR, good signal with tone jamming, and not synchronized with // 11645 via VATICAN. Mod stops at 0527:14 and carrier off at 0527:34*. Instead of a ragged overlap as previously logged, the VATICAN carrier on 13800 does not come on until *0527:56 and now its immediate modulation is syncro with 11645. 13800 now has a stronger signal than from MAD had, unusual, but still suffering from tone jammers/hets on the hi side. 11645 signal is weaker but still good, and the tone jammers for it are still weakly up on ex-11650.

11645, May 17 at 0547, R. Dabanga, fair signal via VATICAN, while tone jammers still weakly stay around 11650.

13800, May 17 at 0549, R. Dabanga, YL in Arabish, good signal via VATICAN and no jamming audible. ``Night`` signals from Europe are now superior to those from Africa as we approach Solstice, hardly a month away.

13800, May 18 at 0543, R. Dabanga, good via VATICAN but with tone jamming on hi side (only one instead of two)

11645, May 18 at 0543, R. Dabanga, fair via VATICAN; tone jammer JBA still up on 11650 (Glenn Hauser, OK DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN. 15375.01, Fu Hsing BC, Kuanyin, 0822-0830, May 08, popular song, ID at 0825 (Fu Hsing Kuangpo Tientai) in accordance with the

WRTH, modulation splash, 35333 (Tomoaki Wagai, Wakayama, Japan, DSWCI
DX Window May 13 via DXLD)

** TAIWAN (?). 15799.8a, RFA (site?) 1355-1403 15 May. Closing programme in Chinese with "You have been listening to Radio Free Asia", bridge/theme tune, another ID at 1358, trumpets at TOH followed by "The following programme is in Cantonese". SOH is listed in Aoki with Chinese/Cantonese until 1402 daily, so perhaps it's now one of the SOH/RFA relays like 9155/9230, etc. (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7600/7730/7800/11470/11530/12230, SOH, 1340-1415+ 15 May. Signals running from JBA (7600/7800) to poor-but-readable (everything else) today; apparently 7730 is irregular in operation (unheard 13 May). 7730/7800 not listed in Aoki today -- perhaps back tomorrow? (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN [and non]. INDIA [non]. + TAIWAN, 15340, RBA/SOH, 1422-1434 15 May. Surprised to hear SOH mixing about 25/75 with RBA's daily 1415-1445 Urdu programme. I've never heard SOH here previously, so somewhat of a treat (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** THAILAND. 9390, May 18 at 1217, tone test, open carrier and off. Surely HSK9, as 1215-1230 is a break between the Malay and English broadcasts as 154 to 132 antenna change is made from Udorn (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** THAILAND. New SV - IBB/R. Thailand Ban Dung site --- Google's expansion of SV throughout Thailand now provides us with imagery of the IBB SW site in Thailand. Nice view of the entrance to the site & several distant views of the SW masts. Entrance:
<https://goo.gl/maps/HYuWB>
(Ian, May 19, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

** TIBET [non]. TAJIKISTAN vs SPAIN, Voice of Tibet vs Radio Exterior de Espa a
1400-1415 on 15492 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan Voice of Tibet
1400-1800 on 15490 NOB 200 kW / 110 deg to N/ME Spanish Sat/Sun REE
1415-1430 NF 15498 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan Voice of Tibet, ex 15497
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/voice-of-tibet-vs-radio-exterior-de.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, May 17, dxldyg via DXLD)

TAJIKISTAN, Frequency changes of Voice of Tibet:
1300-1345 NF 15568 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15563
1345-1400 NF 15562 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15568
1415-1430 NF 15498 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15497

<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/frequency-changes-of-voice-of-tibet.html>

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73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 20, dxldyg via DXLD)

** TIBET [non]. 11595, RFA (Kuwait) 1340-1400* 20 May, 1355-1400* 21 May. Tnx Ivo's info in Play-DX 1650, this is NF for RFA's 13-14 TB service (ex-11605, I think), poor-fair signal with mostly chat & clear "R-F-A ..." in the middle of the "RFA theme" at close-down; no sign of CNR1 yet (it's still on 11605).

17595, VOA (Lampertheim) [non-log], 20 May. VOA sked here 14-15 in TB, but it's all CNR1 so far, not even a hint of a carrier from VOA. Ex-17570, I think & again thanks to Ivo's info in Play-DX 1650. CNR1 also sticking around on 17570 just in case.

15487, V of Tibet (Dushanbe-Yangiyul?) 1423+ 21 May. Possibly ex-15498 & completely wrecked by CNR1-15485 until 1430* (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UGANDA. Log Dunamis 4750 kHz, 1900 UT May 12, S10 333, ab 1900 UT auf 4750 kHz Dunamis Shortwave gehoert wie von Christoph berichtet. Sehr intensive Dauerpredigt von Dr. Stanley von "InTouch", ab 1920 UT Angabe der Kontaktdataen <intouch.org> e-mail <info -at- intouch.org> P. O. Box 7900, Atlanta, Georgia 30357 USA.

"A moment with Carol Stanley" - ab 1945 UT dann wieder afrikanische Dauermusik ohne jede Ansage. Die Feldstaerke (-97 -139dBm) und Sendermodulation war gestern sehr sehr gut, klingt wirklich nicht nach nur 1 kW aus Uganda. Bis 2001 UT ohne Ansage, macht Dunamis ueberhaupt mal irgendwelche Ansagen?

Ausserdem in einer alten Perseus-Aufnahme vom 28 April 2015, 4750 kHz Dunamis Shortwave, 1830 UT, QRM durch utility und viele Entladungen; schwache Modulation, Sprache hoerbar, jedoch unverstaendlich, afrikanische Musik, sign-off at 1856:08 UT.

(Frank Dziock-D DD4WH, A-DX May 12)

Log: 4750 kHz, Dunamis Uganda um 1945 UT May 14 / 0 =2. Gaaanz schwach zu hoeren heute - war um 1900 UT besser. Jetzt 1946 UT s-off (Michael Grabovski-D, A-DX May 14; all via Wolfgang Bischel, BC-DX)

4750 kHz, Dunamis Uganda, tuned in May 14 at 1838-1946 UT. Aber die Musik hielt mich am Kopfhoerer, so um die S=6 oder -87dBm Signal, aber auch eine Menge Gewitterentladungen und dazwischen irgend ein UTE Geschrappel, Codar Fischfang signal ?? f,r 15 Sekunden.

Hier von tune-in um 1838 UT May 14, religioes? bis 1858 UT, aber danach jeweils 10 Minuten ausgedehnt lange Musikstuecke abgespielt,

bis 1938 UT, danach wieder Sprachanteil bis 1945 UT und 1946 UT s-off.
Aber Signal nach 1930 UT schwächer werdend (Wolfgang Bischel, May 14,
wwdx BC-DX TopNews May 16 via DXLD)

Weak reception of Radio Dunamis Shortwave on May 16:
from 1730 on 4750 MUK 001 kW / non-dir to CeAf English/Vernac
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/weak-reception-of-radio-dunamis.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015
via DXLD)

May 16: Radio Dunamis Shortwave to Af 1730 on 4750 Mukono
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SQZuI8UVK5s&feature=youtu.be>
(Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4750.00, 1915-1955 17.5, Dunamis Shortwave, Mukono (presumed). African religious hymns, short ann in unID language, no ID, 25232 (Anker Petersen, my latest loggings from Skovlunde, Denmark, on the AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, wbradio yg via DXLD)

** UKRAINE. World Service Radio Broadcasting Ukraine at new time from May 1
1700-2100 on 1431 Mykolaiev 800 kW to SE Russia in Russian, ex 1500-1900
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/world-service-radio-broadcasting.html>

Ukrainian Radio HS1 in Ukrainian on new MW frequency from May 1
1800-2100 on 1278 Petrivka 100 kW to UKR in Ukrainian, co-ch France Bleu:
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/ukrainian-radio-hs1-in-ukrainian-on-new.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015 via DXLD)

Some mediumwave changes in Ukraine now:

1278 kHz, Petrivka now carrying UR1 radio program, instead of RUI.
{logged at remote SDR unit in Moscow on May 15 at 1900 UT with S=9+45dB or -31dBm signal, like a powerhouse, TransRadio Berlin unit works very fine ... wb}

1431 kHz, Mykolaiev Luch broadcasts RUI Russian program now at 1700-2100 (formerly by 1500-) UT. {logged at remote SDR unit in Moscow on May 15 at 1915 UT with S=9+30dB or -44dBm signal, to compared Russian Vesti FM 1413 kHz from Grigoriopol-MDA S=9+45dB or -27dBm powerhouse ... wb}

<<http://ukrtvr.org/novini/radiomovlennia/4044877-zminy-v-radiomovlenni-nrku.html>>

It was recently restored World Service radio broadcasting Ukraine (RUI) at a frequency of 1431 kHz in the village of Luch. Broadcast occur daily from 20:00 to 00.00 Ukrainian LT. The Internet and the satellite broadcasting service of the Russian World Service radio Ukraine will be conducted, as before, from 18.00 to 22.00 Ukrainian LT.

Meanwhile, at a frequency of 1278 kHz (Speech s.Petrikva Odessa region), where broadcast RUI program, now broadcast SD-1.

Also on May 1 modified schedule NRCU transmitters. "Ray" and "Culture" on VHF should work again on schedule 05:57-00:00 day break. A UR-1 MW - from 05:57 to 00:00 Ukrainian LT. Information provided fmdxua.

Neshchadavno bulo vidnovleno movlenna Vsesvitn'oyi sluzhby radio Ukrayina (VSRU) na chastoti 1431 kHz u selyshchi Luch. Translyatsiyi vidbuvayut'sya shchodnya z 20:00 do 00.00. V interneti ta na suputnyku movlenna rosiys'koyi sluzhby Vsesvitn'oyi sluzhby Radio Ukrayina vestymet'sya, yak i ranishe, z 18:00 do 22:00. Tym chasom, na chastoti 1278 kHz (movlenna z s.Petrikva Odes'koyi oblasti), de translyuvalysya prohramy VSRU, vidteper translyuyet?sya UR-1.

Takozh z 1-ho travnya zmineno hrafik robity peredavachiv NRKU. "Promin UR-2" ta "Kultura UR-3" na UKKH povynni znovu pratsyuvaty za hrafikom 05:57-00:00, bez dennoyi perervy. A UR-1 na serednikh khvylyakh - z 05:57 do 00:00. Informatsiyu nadav fmdxua (ukrtv May 9 via BC-DX May 16 via DXLD)

** U K [non]. Frequency changes of BBC in Uzbek from May 11
1300-1330 NF 15180 SLA 250 kW / 010 deg to CeAs Uzbek Mon, ex 15330
1300-1330 on 15330 SLA 250 kW / 010 deg to CeAs Uzbek Tue, ex Daily
1300-1330 NF 15500 SLA 250 kW / 010 deg to CeAs Uzbek Wed, ex 15330
1300-1330 on 15330 SLA 250 kW / 010 deg to CeAs Uzbek Thu, ex Daily
1300-1330 NF 15180 SLA 250 kW / 010 deg to CeAs Uzbek Fri, ex 15330
1300-1330 NF 15500 SLA 250 kW / 010 deg to CeAs Uzbek Sat, ex 15330
1300-1330 NF 15180 SLA 250 kW / 010 deg to CeAs Uzbek Sun, ex 15330

1300-1330 on 17510 SNG 250 kW / 315 deg to CeAs Uzbek Mon, ex Daily
1300-1330 NF 17575 SNG 250 kW / 315 deg to CeAs Uzbek Tue, ex 17510
1300-1330 on 17510 SNG 250 kW / 315 deg to CeAs Uzbek Wed, ex Daily
1300-1330 NF 17665 SNG 250 kW / 315 deg to CeAs Uzbek Thu, ex 17510
1300-1330 NF 17575 SNG 250 kW / 315 deg to CeAs Uzbek Fri, ex 17510
1300-1330 NF 17665 SNG 250 kW / 315 deg to CeAs Uzbek Sat, ex 17510
1300-1330 NF 17665 SNG 250 kW / 315 deg to CeAs Uzbek Sun, ex 17510

1300-1330 NF 17760 NAK 250 kW / 325 deg to CeAs Uzbek Mon, ex 17735
1300-1330 NF 17760 NAK 250 kW / 325 deg to CeAs Uzbek Tue, ex 17735
1300-1330 NF 17860 NAK 250 kW / 325 deg to CeAs Uzbek Wed, ex 17735

1300-1330 NF 17860 NAK 250 kW / 325 deg to CeAs Uzbek Thu, ex 17735
1300-1330 NF 17860 NAK 250 kW / 325 deg to CeAs Uzbek Fri, ex 17735
1300-1330 on 17735 NAK 250 kW / 325 deg to CeAs Uzbek Sat, ex Daily
1300-1330 NF 17760 NAK 250 kW / 325 deg to CeAs Uzbek Sun, ex 17735
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015
via DXLD) + ChiCom jamming of CNR1 or noise will attack them all (gh)

** U K [non]. Additional frequency changes, BBC World Sce from May 12
1000-1200 NF 17830 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Mon, ex 17760
1000-1200 NF 17790 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Tue, ex 17760
1000-1200 NF 17830 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Wed, ex 17760
1000-1200 NF 17830 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Thu, ex 17760
1000-1200 NF 17790 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Fri, ex 17760
1000-1200 on 17760 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Sat, ex Daily
1000-1200 NF 17790 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Sun, ex 17760

1200-1400 NF 5810 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Mon, ex 5875
1200-1400 NF 5830 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Tue, ex 5875
1200-1400 NF 5810 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Wed, ex 5875
1200-1400 NF 5830 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Thu, ex 5875
1200-1400 NF 5830 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Fri, ex 5875
1200-1400 NF 5810 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Sat, ex 5875
1200-1400 on 5875 NAK 250 kW / 025 deg to EaAs English Sun, ex Daily
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/frequency-changes-of-bbc-in-uzbek-from.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015
via DXLD) Presumably all jammed by the ChiCom, in a futile attempt to
evade that (gh, DXLD)

15510, May 17 at 1122, poor signal in English. Aoki shows it's BBCWS,
100 kW, 13 degrees via SINGAPORE at 10-12, which only started on May
11. Heading is also USward. And of course it's *jammed by the ChiCom,
maybe by noise but not noted here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING
DIGEST)

** U S A. 25910/FM, WQGY434, Eldorado TX, auxiliary relay for KLDE;
1418-1438+, 8-May; New format? Heard C&W, religious & oldy tunes.
"KLDE 104.9 FM", "KLDE, it's 9:22 Lady Eagles time"; lotsa Lady Eagles
spots; they're off to Petrolia, but never mentioned the sport --
guessing softball. Spots for Middle Insurance Agency, 1st United
Methodist Church & Ministerial Alliance.

Inserted relay call ID over tune at 1436. Good peaks with scratchy
fades; better -- as usual -- than // 25990. Last heard in March.
Nothing from Sacramento on 26110 or Wheat Ridge CO on 25950.
Still up well at 1826.

+++ 1426, 9-May; Tuned in to hear Roy Orbison's Only the Lonely &

quickly disappeared.

+++ 1458-1501+, 14-May; Local ad/news/call ID/weather into C&W tune.
Very peaky & 25990 not heard (Harold Frogge, Midland MI, Drake R8B +
65' RW + 180' RW + 125' bowtie, MARE Tipsheet 15 May via WORLD OF
RADIO 1774, DXLD)

** U S A. US CONGRESS INITIATES ATTEMPT TO REFORM INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING | Text of report by VOA News.com website on 15 May

The US Congress is making another attempt at reforming US [government-funded] international broadcasting, which includes the Voice of America [VOA].

The House Foreign Affairs Committee has introduced legislation Thursday [14 May] that would establish the US International Communications Agency to replace the current Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG).

The BBG oversees civilian government broadcasters Voice of America (VOA) and TV/Radio Marti, as well as government-funded independent broadcasters Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty (RFE/RL), Radio Free Asia (RFA) and the Middle East Broadcasting Network (MBN).

Under the proposed legislation, VOA, TV/Radio Marti and the International Broadcasting Bureau (IBB), which provides technical and administrative support, would be consolidated under the new agency with its own chief executive officer.

RFE/RL, RFA and MBN would be consolidated into a second agency to be known as the Freedom News Network, overseen by a separate board of directors and a chief executive officer.

Rep. Ed Royce (R-California) says the reform of the BBG is needed so "more of the agency's budget can be spent countering foreign propaganda - and not on Washington bureaucrats."

A hearing on the legislation is scheduled for May 21. Similar legislation passed the House of Representatives in July 2014, but failed to be considered by the Senate before the congressional term ended. Source: VOA News.com website, Washington D.C., in English 15 May 15 (via BBCM via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

** U S A. Hello friends, After the MT63-2000L bonus mode of program 108, Walt in the UK suggested that we transmit an entire news story in this mode. That will happen this weekend. This long-interleave version uses the entire 2000 Hz we have available in one sideband of a shortwave AM channel. I have measured its speed at nearly 200 words

per minute, about twice as fast as our usual MFSK32 mode (Kim Elliott, Radiogram via roger, dxldyg via DXLD)

2015-05-16 / 1600z VoA on 17870 kHz: 0=3, fading,
MT63-2000L did not work; the audio level was too low, thus a lot of errors, but clean signal, so the MFSK-32 images were acceptable

2015-05-17 / 0230z VoA on 5745 kHz: 0=4, no fading,
Audio signal was strong and loud, but ghost signal by frequency-shift-scatter
MT63 worked well with no errors, but the MFSK images with "ghost shadows"

http://www.rhci-online.net/radiogram/VoA_Radiogram_2015-05-16.htm
(roger Thayer, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. Voice of America from May 16
1600-1700 NF 15505 BIB 100 kW / 085 deg CeAs Tibetan Fri, ex 15495 BIB
1600-1700 NF 11910 PHT 250 kW / 315 deg CeAs Tibetan Sat, ex 15505 BIB
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/additional-ibb-changes.html>

Voice of America
1600-1630 on 13630 BOT 100 kW / 350 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Fri
1600-1630 on 11865 MEY 100 kW / 015 deg to SoAf Kirundi Sat
1600-1630 on 15460 SAO 100 kW / 100 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Sat
1600-1630 on 17530 SAO 100 kW / 100 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Sat
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/extended-shortwave-schedule-of-voice-of.html>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, May 16, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U S A. 17895, May 18 at 1402, big steady open carrier, no doubt VOA Greenville-B setting up for mid-day service to Africa. Yes, it's working OK today (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. VOA PERSIAN RADIO TO CLOSE --- Not very exciting news, as VOA Persian left shortwave a while ago. But now my Persian-speaking colleagues tell me that the imminent closure of its online stream has been announced on the service itself, though I see nothing on the VOA's English website about this. The close date is uncertain - perhaps even as soon as today, or perhaps at the end of this month.
Note: On "air", the VOA Persian service calls itself "Radio Tamasha" (meaning "to watch", so slightly odd for an audio service!). Chris Greenway, UK, May 19, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Is there not also a VOA satellite TV service in Persian? While Radio Farda, which comes under RFE/RL, no doubt continues (gh, DXLD)

Yes, VOA Persian TV continues. They call themselves "Persian News Network" (Chris Greenway, *ibid.*)

Noted IBB VoA Hotbird 13 degrees programs recently - last week

16 only Radio channels,

three of them split STEREO into two independent radio program feeds,
VoA/RFA 119

VoA R 103

VoA R 107

- - -
38 only identified TV channels, on the early European UTC time morning, only 8 x solely TV signal channels observed. All remaining 30 TV channels broadcast usual IBB Radio Programs instead to Balkan, Caucasus, CeAsia, NearEast, and Africa.

One of them is special like mixed Radio / TV Foto Image snaps channel of Radio Farda #223. #222 RSE Balkan seemingly a real Serbian language channel. btw. two spelling styles noted:

channels #217 and #218
Turkmenistan kind "Azatlyk Radiosy" and
Tatar Bashkortstan "Azatlik Radiosi"
wb df5sx (Wolfgang B,schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Also, for the closure of VOA Albanian Program on 6 June 2015 - the VOA Financial office notified our RTSH Finance Management via email, by the end of first-second weeks of May. Unknown reasons were even for the VOA notifier. Sent from my iPad (Drita «iÁo, RTSH, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. Extended schedule of VOA to Burundi from May 11:
0330-0400 on 7305 SAO 100 kW / 100 deg to SoAf Kirundi Daily
0330-0400 on 7325 SAO 100 kW / 100 deg to SoAf Kirundi Daily
0330-0400 on 11905 SAO 100 kW / 114 deg to SoAf Kirundi Daily

0400-0430 on 7305 BOT 100 kW / 010 deg to SoAf Kirundi Sat/Sun
0400-0430 on 7325 BOT 100 kW / 350 deg to SoAf Kirundi Sat/Sun
0400-0430 on 11905 KWT 250 kW / 220 deg to SoAf Kirundi Sat/Sun

0400-0430 on 7350 BOT 100 kW / 350 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Fri
0400-0430 on 9815 BOT 100 kW / 010 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Fri
0400-0430 on 11905 SAO 100 kW / 114 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Fri

0430-0505 on 7350 BOT 100 kW / 350 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Fri
0430-0505 on 9815 BOT 100 kW / 010 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Fri
0430-0505 on 11905 SAO 100 kW / 114 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Fri

0505-0530 on 7350 BOT 100 kW / 010 deg to SoAf English Mon-Fri
0505-0530 on 9815 BOT 100 kW / 350 deg to SoAf English Mon-Fri
0505-0530 on 11905 SAO 100 kW / 114 deg to SoAf English Mon-Fri

1600-1630 on 13630 BOT 100 kW / 350 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Fri
1600-1630 on 11865 MEY 100 kW / 015 deg to SoAf Kirundi Sat
1600-1630 on 15460 SAO 100 kW / 100 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Sat
1600-1630 on 17530 SAO 100 kW / 100 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Sat

1830-1900 on 11865 SMG 250 kW / 170 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Fri
1830-1900 on 13785 SAO 100 kW / 100 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Fri

1930-2000 on 9470 SAO 100 kW / 088 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Fri
1930-2000 on 11615 SAO 100 kW / 100 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Fri
1930-2000 on 12140 BOT 100 kW / 010 deg to SoAf Kirundi Mon-Fri
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/extended-shortwave-schedule-of-voice-of.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015
via DXLD)

** U S A [non]. Additional IBB changes:

Radio Free Asia from May 14

1300-1400 NF 11595 KWT 250 kW / 070 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 11605
1600-1700 NF 12035 TIN 250 kW / 303 deg to CeAs Uyghur, ex 12075

Radio Liberty from May 14

1400-1500 NF 15180 LAM 100 kW / 077 deg to CeAs Uzbek, ex 15480

Voice of America from May 14

1400-1500 NF 17595 LAM 100 kW / 077 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 17570

Voice of America from May 16

1600-1700 NF 15505 BIB 100 kW / 085 deg CeAs Tibetan Mon, ex 15495 BIB
1600-1700 NF 11910 PHT 250 kW / 315 deg CeAs Tibetan Tue, ex 15505 BIB
1600-1700 NF 15505 BIB 100 kW / 085 deg CeAs Tibetan Wed, ex 15495 BIB
1600-1700 NF 11910 PHT 250 kW / 315 deg CeAs Tibetan Thu, ex 15505 BIB
1600-1700 NF 15505 BIB 100 kW / 085 deg CeAs Tibetan Fri, ex 15495 BIB
1600-1700 NF 11910 PHT 250 kW / 315 deg CeAs Tibetan Sat, ex 15505 BIB
1600-1700 NF 11910 PHT 250 kW / 315 deg CeAs Tibetan Sun, ex 15505 BIB
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/additional-ibb-changes.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015
via DXLD)

** U S A. WORLD OF RADIO 1773 monitoring: confirmed first SW
broadcast, Thursday May 14 at 2100 on 7570, WRMI (and something else
on 15770). Better signal than usual, but here still much inferior to

15770. But nearby in FL, Dino Bloise says ``Confirmed! WOR en WRMI [First Airing]. Heard Thursday on 7570 kHz with S9+20 very good signal. May 14, 2100 UTC``. Next:

Fri 2130	WRMI	15770
Sat 0630	HLR	7265-CUSB
Sat 1430	HLR	7265-CUSB
Sat 1930v	WA0RCR	1860-AM [no Gateway 160 this week due to Dayton]
Sun 0315v	WA0RCR	1860-AM [no Gateway 160 this week due to Dayton]
Sun 2100	WRMI	15770 [scheduled, but not last week, nor on 7570]
Sun 2300	WRMI	11580
Mon 0300v	WBCQ	5110v Area 51
Tue 1100	WRMI	9955
Wed 0630	HLR	7265-CUSB
Wed 1315	WRMI	9955
Wed 1430	HLR	7265-CUSB
Wed 2100	WBCQ	7490v

For all our broadcasts on all media see
<http://www.worldofradio.com/radioskd.html>

Access to podcasts, latest and previous shows:
<http://www.worldofradio.com/audiomid.html>
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15770, WRMI Radio Miami Int'l; 2120-2200:10*, 15-May [Friday]; Tune-in to English huxterage on "Walking in Power" from Soul Harbor church in Miami; 2125-2129:25 fill music to Andy Sennitt with WRMI spot; 2129:57-2158:52 Glenn Hauser's World of Radio #1773; brief fill music to Bob Zanotti WRMI spot at 2159:54, brief fill music & off. Andy & Bob both gave WRMI reception report info. SI0=544 with weak rapid ticking QRM. No B.S.! (Harold Frogde, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 65 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WORLD OF RADIO 1773 monitoring: confirmed Friday May 15 at 2153 check on WRMI 15770; and also on 7570, but not synchronized, so separate playouts from System D and System F, respectively, now scheduled on both. 7570 is about 38 seconds later than 15770. The usual start time had really been 2130.5. Next:

Sun 0315v	WA0RCR	1860-AM [no Gateway 160 this week due to Dayton]
Sun 2100	WRMI	15770 [scheduled, but not last week, nor on 7570]
Sun 2300	WRMI	11580
Mon 0300v	WBCQ	5110v Area 51
Tue 1100	WRMI	9955
Wed 0630	HLR	7265-CUSB
Wed 1315	WRMI	9955
Wed 1430	HLR	7265-CUSB

Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v

NEW TIME for WORLD OF RADIO: UT Monday 0330 on WRMI, 9955. Thanks, Jeff White. Otherwise still for WOR 1773:

Sun 2100 WRMI 15770 [scheduled, but not last week, nor on 7570]

Sun 2300 WRMI 11580

Mon 0300v WBCQ 5110v Area 51

Mon 0330 WRMI 9955 [NEW]

Tue 1100 WRMI 9955

Wed 0630 HLR 7265-CUSB

Wed 1315 WRMI 9955

Wed 1430 HLR 7265-CUSB

Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9955, 5/18 0330, WRMI, Okeechobee-FL, in English; a excellent DX program "World of Radio" (new sked), by Glenn Hauser; many SWL logs; fair signal and modulation, no interference, 35433.

9955, 5/18 0400, WRMI, Okeechobee-FL, in Spanish; DX program "Frecuencia al Día", news of radio and telecommunications, by Dino Bloise, other excellent DX program; 35433 (José Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Praia Formosa, Cabedelo, [Paraíba], Brazil; Receiver: Degen 1103, Telescopic Portable Antenna, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

WORLD OF RADIO 1773 monitoring: confirmed Sunday May 17 at 2100 on WRMI 15770 (and not 7570). Also confirmed after 2300 UT Sunday May 17 on WRMI 11580. Also confirmed at new time 0330 UT Monday May 18 on WRMI 9955. Also confirmed at 0300 UT Monday May 17 on Area 51 webcast and via WBCQ 5109.7-CUSB at 0305 check, as well as ending circa 0329.

Next:

Tue 1100 WRMI 9955

Wed 0630 HLR 7265-CUSB

Wed 1315 WRMI 9955

Wed 1430 HLR 7265-CUSB

Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v

(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WORLD OF RADIO 1773 monitoring: confirmed Wednesday May 20 after 1315 on WRMI 9955. Also confirmed Wednesday May 20 at 2100 on webcast of WBCQ 7490, untried on SW which is usually inaudible this early in summer. WOR 1774 completed in time for first airing Thursday at 1130: 1130 UT Thursday WRMI 9955

2100 UT Thursday WRMI 7570 [and 15770?]

2130 UT Friday WRMI 15770

2130 UT Friday WRMI 7570

0630 UT Saturday HLR 7265-CUSB

1430 UT Saturday HLR 7265-CUSB

1930vUT Saturday WA0RCR 1860-AM
0315vUT Sunday WA0RCR 1860-AM
2100 UT Sunday WRMI 15770 [irregular]
2300 UT Sunday WRMI 11580
0300vUT Monday WBCQ 5110v Area 51
0330 UT Monday WRMI 9955 [NEW]
1100 UT Tuesday WRMI 9955
0630 UT Wednesday HLR 7265-CUSB
1315 UT Wednesday WRMI 9955
1430 UT Wednesday HLR 7265-CUSB
2100 UT Wednesday WBCQ 7490v

WORLD OF RADIO 1774 monitoring: first SW airing confirmed after 1130 UT Thursday May 21 on WRMI 9955, and with Cuban pulse jamming: tnx a lot, Arnie! Next:

2100 UT Thursday WRMI 7570 [and 15770?]
2130 UT Friday WRMI 15770
2130 UT Friday WRMI 7570
0630 UT Saturday HLR 7265-CUSB
1430 UT Saturday HLR 7265-CUSB
1930vUT Saturday WA0RCR 1860-AM
0315vUT Sunday WA0RCR 1860-AM
2100 UT Sunday WRMI 15770 [irregular]
2300 UT Sunday WRMI 11580
0300vUT Monday WBCQ 5110v Area 51
0330 UT Monday WRMI 9955 [NEW]
1100 UT Tuesday WRMI 9955
0630 UT Wednesday HLR 7265-CUSB
1315 UT Wednesday WRMI 9955
1430 UT Wednesday HLR 7265-CUSB
2100 UT Wednesday WBCQ 7490v

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7730, May 15 at 0220, WRMI still playing fill music, rock at the moment, instead of Family Radio in Spanish as scheduled during this hour. Seems it's been this way for at least a biweek, and also the previous hour 01-02 on 11920, not checked there the last few days

11920, May 16 at 0153, WRMI still playing fill music instead of Family Radio in Spanish. Likewise 7730, May 16 after 0200. However,

7570, May 16 at 1148, VG signal in Chinese mentioning Shanghai, so that FSI service remains, 11-12 UT via #11 transmitter on 315-degree antenna (there's also Japanese scheduled 10-11, it too still on?). A 355-degree antenna would be closer to crossing China, but maybe unavailable.

11920, May 20 at 0132, WRMI with gospel huxter in Spanish, so

presumably Family Radio has finally replaced fill music after a triweek or so (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

New Saturday relays via WRMI Okeechobee [``YFR''] instead of Radio France International:

2100-2200 15770 100 kW / 044 deg WeEu Italian Sat Studio DX + video
2130-2145 15770 100 kW / 044 deg WeEu Italian Sat Made in Italy + video

2145-2200 15770 100 kW / 044 deg WeEu English Sat EU News Network
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/new-sats-relays-via-wrmi-instead-of.html>
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, May 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

U S A, R. Prague instead of Brother Stair via WRMI Okeechobee May 18
0300-0400 on 11580 YFR 100 kW / 044 deg to WeEu English tx#09, video:
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/radio-prague-instead-of-brother-stair.html>

-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 18, dxldyg via DXLD)

Clip is at 0300, and only other clip is at 0737 when BS is back on.
Prague's English is only half an hour, so really RP English for a full hour at 0300? On 9955, RP English is at 0300-0330 only on UT Sun & Mon, and May 18 was Monday {NOT a week later May 25, just BS this hour on 11580} (gh, DXLD)

Jeff White interviewed me when I recently visited his SW station WRMI in FL (the former WYFR complex). He has included it in the AWR Wavescan show carried on WRMI and other stations. My segment is 13 minutes into the 30 minute show.

Next time it is on is Monday morning at 1100 UT (0700 EDT) on WRMI 9955 kHz. The next time after above is Tue 0330 (Monday at 2330 EDT) on 9955 kHz again. Here is a schedule of DX shows:
<http://www.worldofradio.com/dxpgms.html>
(Don Hosmer, West Branch MI, MARE Tipsheet 15 May via DXLD)

9955, WRMI with Blues music on "Blues Radio International" with OM vocals from a 2014 live performance in FL. WRMI ID into AWR Wavescan at BoH including interview with MARE's own Don Hosmer talking with Jeff White and who said that MARE DXers don't listen to SW Broadcast any more.

Don, really? OF COURSE we do. Just because a couple of stations have signed off doesn't mean we don't listen to the ones that are left. Shoot -- look at any given TipSheet! Don't give stations more excuses to stop transmitting! Shame on you. Do you WANT the only thing on to be Brother Snare? :o Another ID at ToH in English, mentioning you can listen on the phone by calling US number 712-432-8868. Then into Bible Thumping. 55555 fading to 4+4+554+ 0315-0400 12/May (Ken Zichi,

Williamston MI, MARE Tipsheet 15 May via DXLD)

** U S A. 3185, May 16 at 1140, no signal from WWRB/BS. Normally it's still audible well past 1200 over day path. Not on 5050 either. No signal (no loss) on day frequency either, 9370 at 1406 May 16 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9370, May 17 at 1316, again no signal from WWRB BS disservice; still none at 1536. Need to check whether WWRB is on at all, evenings on 5050 or 3185. Website

<http://www.wwrb.org/about.php>
has always claimed:

``Transmitters:

Global-1: Fully Operational; 115 kW capable

Global-2: Fully Operational; 115 kW capable

Global-3: Fully Operational; 150 kW capable

Global-4: Fully Operational; 150 kW capable

Global-5: Fully Operational; 150 kW capable, (back-up transmitter)``

but has not been heard on any more than two at once for several years. Now down to one, or zero? The long-outdated non-BS program schedule for 3185 was removed some time ago.

3185, at 0549 UT May 18, WWRB is still off. 9370 off circa 1400 UT May 18, but ON, at 0030 UT May 19 check. Not 5050 or 3185 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. ART BELL'S NEW SHOW FAQ

Posted on May 13, 2015 in Radio Show | 9819 Views | Leave a response
<http://artbell.com/art-bells-new-show-faq/>

Art is returning to broadcasting on the Internet on July 20th on the Dark Matter Digital Network. The show is now called iMidnight in the Desertî and will broadcast LIVE from 9 pm to Midnight Pacific, Midnight to 3 am Eastern for FREE, Monday thru Friday.

[04-07 UT Tue-Sat; so where is the desert in the EDT zone? Considering WTWW's track record, a certain significant percentage will be dead air]

You can listen via this website, or use an app on your smartphone or tablet. Currently you can listen via the TuneIn app. Install TuneIn from your App store and search for Dark Matter Radio and you'll be listening to the current schedule of shows.

On-demand archives will be available under a subscription membership service, soon to be announced.

Q. Can I use an Internet radio?

A: If you would like a dedicated device to play Internet radio, there are a couple choices out there. Look for the CC-WiFi or CC-Wifi 2 from C. Crane. Use promo code iDark Matteri or iArt Belli to get a special gift and give us a credit.

Q. Can I listen via a podcast?

A. If you join the membership subscription service for the show, you'll have the ability to download or stream old shows so you can play them on your computer and smartphone/tablet device.

Q. Will Art be on any terrestrial radio stations?

A. Probably not. The format of the show is geared towards the Internet, having less commercials and more freedom of where the breaks of the show will be. Rarely would a radio station want to carry the show and not be able to automate the commercial insertions. We are not going to change our format to match up with commercial radio. That being said, if a station wants to carry the show as is, without any interruption of the content, they may just grab the Internet stream and replay it. They would also have to cover the costs of the music licensing.

Q. Will Art be on Shortwave radio?

A. In fact yes! We have made a deal with a shortwave station out of Tennessee, WTWW on 5085 kHz, a good frequency to be heard at that time of night. They will carry just the LIVE portion of the show.

Q. Will Art be on Satellite?

A. No. There is no need to buy a satellite radio this time... (via The Dood, Free Radio Net, via Harold Frogde, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

5830, May 16 at 1137, no signal from WTWW-1, nor on 9475. Of course, nothing from WTWW-2 either, 5085. By 1406, 9475 is on with SFAW (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 11775, World Harvest Radio religious broadcaster, May 14, 2306-2317, in English. Religious MX, prayers, and exhortations, with significant studio audience participation and much moaning and groaning. Very strong signal with another one JBA underneath (Vince Henley, Anacortes, WA. Equipment currently in use: Tecsun PL-380, JRC NRD-525, Drake R8B. Antennas are half-meter whip on PL-380 and Alpha-Delta DX-Ultra installed broadside east-west, NASWA Flashesheet May 17

via DXLD)

Moaning & groaning = the Overcomer Ministry at 7 am and 7 pm ET (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. vs INDIA, WWCR-1 vs All India Radio in AM, not DRM mode on May 10

till 1200 15795 WCR 100 kW / 046 deg to WeEu English WWCR-1
from 1145 15795 BGL 500 kW / 035 deg to EaAs Chinese All India Radio
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/wwcr-1-vs-all-india-radio-in-am-not-drm.html>

(DX RE MIX NEWS #910 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 18, 2015
via DXLD)

** U S A. And here are a whole bunch of AM Radio Log updates from Wayne Heinen: [excerpts]

580 KRFE TX Lubbock ñ Networks to A/WW1.

910 KKBE NM Roswell ñ Format to CHR (ex-NWS/TLK); slogan to iThe Beat 93.7/910,î drops networks.

1150 KSAL KS Salina ñ Format to NWS/TLK/SPT (ex-NWS/TLK); nets to A/Ks/KAg/BNN/Mt/ P/Ru/DR/YSR/B. (GH) (NRC DX News May 25 via DXLD)

** U S A. Midday MW bandscan on caradio from a quiet location outside Oakwood Mall in western Enid, amid storm crashes every two or three seconds, groundwave is good, includes: Local mean noon is always 1832 UT:

530, May 18 at 1836 UT, NWS, NOAA Weather Radio, very poor, barely audible, but do make out ``Wichita 1-pm conditions'', so it's one of the Kansas Turnpike outlets, probably the closest one near South Haven, which under ideal conditions reaches Enid. (''K530AM'' Vance AFB remains kaput). 1610, another NWS relay; see OKLAHOMA

550, May 18 at 1837 UT, KFRM Salina KS bigsig has some talk CCI underneath making SAH of ~6 Hz. Must be 5/1 kW newstalk format from KCFS Midland TX (address in Odessa). Day pattern is not unfavorable this way, but a notch at night. KCFS would certainly be readable if KFRM were not in the way. 624 km, 388 stmi, city to city

580, May 18 at 1838 UT, WIBW Wichita KS talker clearly has C&W music underneath, slow SAH of 1.4 Hz. This is certainly Lubbock TX, 500-watt KRFE, however listed as AC format in NRC AM Log. Advantage of great ground conductivity (and all the rain lately may have helped), and low frequency, despite directional pattern westward, assuming it's in whack

630, May 18 at 1839 UT, talk station, in heavy splash, but no IBOC, from KWPN Moore OK 640. Presumably KHOW Denver, as 670 is normal

670, May 18 at 1840 UT, gospel huxter quite readable in English, no QRM from WSCR Chicago, so it's KLTT Commerce City (Denver market) CO

790, May 18 at 1841 UT, singing ad and ``K-triple-X'' ID from Colby KS, with KFYO Lubbock TX underneath. Always splash from 800 KQCV OKC, without which this would be listenable

850, May 18 at 1842 UT, hymn in Spanish fades up and down mostly surpassing remnant of KOA Denver, i.e. 5 kW KJON Carrollton TX (Dallas market)

870, WWL! See separate entry below

Quick scan of higher band found not much of interest (Glenn Hauser, Enid, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Midday MW bandscan on caradio from a quiet location outside Oakwood Mall in western Enid, amid storm crashes every two or three seconds, groundwave is good, includes: Local mean noon is always 1832 UT:

870, May 18 at 1843 UT, ad for Express selling Tranes, no area code but 263-0442, then ad for a solar system, and fadeout after making SAH of about 6 Hz with another station, probably KFJZ Fort Worth in Vietnamese. Can it be WWL? Not much else on 870 around here. Yes!! It all matches up here: <http://www.expressheatandac.com/> New Orleans city to city Enid distance: 1021 km = 645 statute miles --- at hi noon {and the question re-arises, is this groundwave or skywave, both rather improbable} (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

870, WWL, LA, New Orleans ñ Applies for STA to operate without sampling system, which is not working (NRC DX News May 25 via DXLD)

What's a sampling system? Could this have any bearing on the power or pattern, leading to my midday DX of it at over a megameter and overland? (gh, DXLD)

It means they can't tell whether the pattern is correct. The sampling system uses a small loop antenna (one turn) to sample a bit of the RF at each tower. That sample is fed back to a "phase monitor" in the transmitter building. This monitor determines whether the phase and amplitude of the power in each tower is correct. If it's *not* correct, the directional pattern will be wrong. Failure of the sampling system does not, in itself, affect the transmitted signal.

It simply makes it impossible to prove that the signal is not broken.
== (Doug Smith W9WI, Pleasant View, TN EM66, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1020, May 18 at 0621 UT, Spanish preacher at least equal level with nearby KOKP Perry OK, which I almost null, as the two make a SAH of 3.6 Hz; 0630 UT outro program as ``La Voz de la SalvaciÛn`` with an address in Florida and partial phone 800-8432. 0631 UT ID as ``Radio VisiÛn Cristiana, la emisora de ----``, another partial phone as 811-11-30, and time check for 2:32, into music.

So this is RVC's 1020 station, KCKN Roswell NM, taking live feed from EDT zone flagship in NYC, WWRV 1330. Now they've fixed the frequency after big audible het KCKN had been causing, and also seem to have powered up from longtime QRP STA, and/or overcome pattern null toward KDKA and us (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Stations informing the FCC that they are silent:
1060, KRUZ, AR, Van Buren ñ Silent Apr. 11, temporary facilities failed (NRC DX News May 25 via DXLD)

That was the one with 25 watts daytime to a longwire, which I hoped someone in eastern OK could pick up, if not myself (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1340, May 16 at 0206 UT, dominant signal atop graveyard jumble is country music; loops NNW/SSE like OKC, but that's a sports station. Likely KAND Corsicana TX, next station beyond in same direxion. 0208 UT tune ends and awaiting ID, announcement, or seguÈ, but nothing, as if signed off, which a graveyarder would not need to do. Probably just an automation SNAFU (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Out driving yesterday, when my wife and I passed a run-down sign that was so sun-bleached as to almost be unreadable. But a quick glance at the business associated with the sign made me realize that I was looking at W-B-E-Y, 1370 AM.

I turned around and went back for a closer look. A quick turn of the dial told me that the station was off the air; and I couldn't recall if it was in my log book at home. I took a few pictures using my cell phone camera, as we had a look around.

In back of the building was a large fiberglass C-Band satellite dish, that I imagined had once received programming from some other source. But no evidence of an STL link. Instead, I found a tall telephone pole with what looked like the remains of a 40 meter dipole mounted near the top. 50 ohm coax ran from inside the building to the top of the

pole. Could someone had loaded up this for use as the stations antenna?

The large faded letters on the front of the building were almost like the voice of a ghost. It was sad, and nostalgic --- all at the same time.

Railroad fans use the term "fallen flags" to refer to railroads that no longer exist. Think of companies like Conrail, or Southern. Their boxcars can still be seen on trains today, echoes from railroads past. I couldn't help but thinking of the term "Fallen Flag" when it came to this station. Had it once been a hometown hero, reporting on local happenings, lost dogs, and obituaries. Or was it one of the many gospel/religious stations that seem to dot the southern landscape more than any other?

A quick check of Wikipedia revealed a little more, but not much. It looks like the station went off the air in 2002---but it's absent from my logbook. How could I have missed a 1,000 watt daytime only station, less than 15 miles from my home? Hmm....

I wonder if anyone out there logged this station? And I can't help but wonder how many more stations like this we'll lose in the years ahead.
-- 73, (Les Rayburn, N1LF, Maylene, AL, EM63, May 14, NRC-AM via DXLD)

And here we go, here are Les' pics of DWBYE 1370 Calera, Alabama.

The sign out front of the station near the road
<http://www.onairdj.com/wbyesign.jpg>

The front of the WBYE building, close up
<http://www.onairdj.com/wbyefront.jpg>

Front of WBYE building a little further back, from a different angle
<http://www.onairdj.com/wbyefront1.jpg>

Enjoy, or, well not, seeing as what these pictures show, a dead, gone and never coming back radio station (Paul B Walker, Jr., CA, ibid.)

Thanks for posting Les' pics, Paul, and thank you Les for taking them. They were indeed bittersweet. Shockingly and ironically, the U.S. Census Bureau says the population of Calera tripled from 3,158 in the 2000 Census to 11,620 in 2010, making Calera the fastest growing city in Alabama! (Pete, Asbury Park, ibid.)

Actually, my lovely bride, Abby took the photos; while I walked our dog. She's a long-suffering wife of a ham and DX'er. Nice of her to put up with sudden stops to document long lost radio stations! 73,

(Les N1LF, ibid.)

I heard them at sunset October 1, 1973. Never was sure of the city's pronunciation, since Webster's Geographical Dictionary didn't have an entry for Calera. Thanks to various YouTube postings from Alabama, I now know it's Kuh Leer Uh.

They're one of all too many 1370 "Fallen Flags" - anybody remember these, all listed in the 1991 NRC AM Radio Log?

Marksville LA
Leonardtown MD
South St. Paul MN
Elloree-Santee SC
Post TX
Sussex WI
Wickford RI
Holdenville OK
Deer Trail CO
Albia IA
Calera AL

1991 Log also lists Westlock AB, Parksville BC, Degelis QC and Valleyfield QC, all presumably gone to FM.

Multiply this by the whole dial, and it's pretty grim (Steve Francis, Alcoa, Tennessee, NRC-AM via DXLD)

** U S A. And Bill Hale reports that KLBW-1530 New Boston TX is silent. Neither [this nor PR WOSO?] is listed as silent by the FCC. (NRC DX News May 25 via DXLD) It's been a year already since I was hearing KLBW as a cheatin' daytimer, as in DXLD 14-22 and vicinity (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1540, May 17 at 1132 UT, incredibly awful audio catches my attention, mixture of church music and talk, sounds like an ancient cylinder recording! Music stops at 1134 UT and then a bit better copy of preacher, but still can't understand his ID; anyhow, good signal from NE/SW, surely KXEL Waterloo IA still propagating a little past sunrise. Unlike many stations, this one actually has a full program schedule on website, strangely linked from top of home page as ``paid programming'' which this certainly is, but not all of it:

<http://www.kxel.com/ProgramSchedule.aspx>

``Sundays 6:30-7:30 am Whole Truth Church`` in CDT = UT -5 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also CHINA [non]

** U S A. [Re 15-19:] R.I.P. WAGL-1560 [SC] --- WAGL was a regular visitor every afternoon into central Fla giving the 5 kW daytimers in

Melbourne and Inverness fits during critical hours. They ran a four tower array giving them about 270 kW to the south. Several times over the past 20 years I picked them up in Grand Turk and on the north coast of the Dominican Republic. They squirted out about 20 kW to the NNE toward Charlotte.

It was a sad road to the end. The station tried country, classic country and Music of Your Life in the final years, supplemented by religious programs in the morning, but nothing really worked. They were into a web presence early on, selling a business directory to local businesses. I would guess the electric bill was close to 3 grand a month. Len's demise and that of the station were on a parallel path. Sad there was no one to carry on, but Lancaster has almost become part of the metro of Charlotte and the metro FM's have killed local radio in the area. As DXers we have lost a great target and it will be missed (Jerry Kiefer FL, May 12, IRCA via DXLD)

** U S A. I can hear NPR 'news' on at least a dozen FM stations in the late afternoon, and part of that is paid for with Tax [or tax write off] dollars! At least on commercial radio ads are paying there way, so they must be working with listeners (Farmerik, ABDX via DXLD)

I love ya, but you are repeating some very discredited talking points from the right-wing (not that there's anything wrong with that [sic]). NPR is mainly funded by program fees from affiliates, as well as station dues & fund-raising dollars from listeners during those week-long events where the stations ask for donations. Based on the most recent figures I've seen, NPR gets about 5% of its budget from taxpayers.

As for the myth that NPR is part of the so-called "liberal media," listeners to NPR don't seem to agree. Politically, the listeners are about equal -- 45% Republican and 55% Democratic. And in many cities, NPR stations are in the top 5 in the 35-54 year old demographic. You can look it up (Donna Halper, May 19, ABDX via DXLD)

Re: AM radio news migrating to FM --- Donations made by tax payers and corporations to NPR may be written off as charitable deductions, unlike commercial stations, so all other tax payers and corporations have to make up for that by paying more taxes (FARMERIK, ibid.)

Which is equally true of the much larger stream of donations that goes to EMF/K-Love/Air 1, Family Stations, AFR, Way-FM, EWTN, Starboard / Relevant Radio, Family Life Radio, Family Life Ministries, etc. etc.

EMF *alone* took in over \$139 million in donations in FY2013, all tax-deductible to the donors. It then turned around and used a big chunk of that money to buy more formerly-commercial stations,

including WCCC-FM 106.9 right there in Connecticut for over \$9 million. Whatever taxes WCCC paid for its studio/transmitter sites and whatever revenue the state took in from taxes paid by WCCC employees went away when EMF took over.

By contrast, right there in Connecticut, CPBN (parent to Connecticut Public TV and WNPR-FM) took in just over \$5 million in donations, just under \$8 million in underwriting support and just over \$2 million in federal CPB funding. A quick look at its (publicly-available) Form 990 filing shows that it paid out over \$6 million this year in salary alone to almost 300 employees, nearly all of which went to CT residents and was therefore taxable to CT and at the federal level. So was all of the money that for-profit companies made from the money CPBN spent on tower rent, equipment, etc. etc.

So what was your point, again?

(And again, there is no federal taxpayer support directly to NPR, and only very minimally to member stations. This point can't be repeated enough, evidently.) (Scott Fybush, NY, May 20, ABX via DXLD)

My point was simply that I could hear the same NPR news every afternoon on at least a dozen local FM stations, and I contrasted that specifically to Commercial radio stations. I also commented I am glad there are so many program choices so I can DX. Not really anything else (FARMERIK, ibid.)

** U S A. 250 watt LPFMs ??

RM-11749: FCC taking comments on REC's LP-250 proposal
Submitted by Michi Bradley on Fri, 05/15/2015 - 11:52

The Federal Communications Commission has issued a Public Notice announcing a rulemaking number for REC's LP-250 proposal. Comments are now being accepted between now and June 15, 2015.

Comments can be filed through the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System or through their simplified ECFS Express system.

Items proposed in RM-11749 include:

The ability for existing LPFM stations to upgrade LP-250 based on technical availability without geographic restrictions such as those proposed in previous versions of LP-250.

Allowing minor moves up to 11.1 km for LP-100 stations and up to 14.1 km for LP-250 stations.

Removing the contour overlap requirement for LPFM commonly-owned FM translators.

Add additional protections for LPFM stations in respect to FM translators.

Relief for the local programming requirement for LPFM stations on time share agreements.

For more information on LP-250 and the actual LP-250 proposal, visit <http://LP250.com>

Media Contact: Michelle Bradley lpfm@recnet.com (via Mike Bugaj, CT, May 15, WTFDA via DXLD)

** VANUATU. FYI: If anyone cares, Radio Vanuatu's shortwave signals are still on the air but are not running full power.

Warren Robert, Team Leader of the Vanuatu Broadcasting & Television Corporation tells me that they are running about 1500-2000 Watts. They are doing this because Energy Onix, the company that made their transmitters has gone out of business (as we all know!!) and with Vanuatu's extremely dry and humid air, they don't want to damage the transmitters HF power amplifier and risk damaging it and with the company out of business, be unable to get parts for it.

Warren tells me the schedule for Radio Vanuatu is as follows:
Radio Vanuatu broadcast hours are from 0530am to 2315pm.

3945, 0530 am-0930 am and 1630 to 2315 pm [1830-2230 and 0530-1215 UT]
7260, 0830 am-1730 pm [2130-0630 UT] (Paul B Walker, Jr, CA, May 20,
DX LISTENING DIGEST) So nominally one-hour overlap of frequencies (gh)

** VATICAN. I do have two Vatican [MW 1530] audio clips:

One featuring a Polish program:

http://www.quebecdx.com/vatican_1530.mp3

(03-21-2009)

And a second one in French this time, mixed apparently with WCKY:

http://www.quebecdx.com/vatican_1530a.mp3

(02-15-2010)

BTW, see this interesting article about their antenna array design. Because of their International status, R. Vatican had to deliver most of its 600 kW of power to their International audience. In order to do so, while taking advantage of their high frequency slot, they also managed to reduce the daytime "fading free" groundwave propagation radius to as little as 100 km, and this from a 600 kW transmitter!!
http://www.waniewski.de/MW/Vatikan/vatican_mw_1en.htm

(Sylvain Naud, May 6, Quebec, IRCA via DXLD)

** VATICAN. [Re 15-19:] May 11:

Vatican Radio in German, unscheduled transmission to EaEu 0514 on 7250
SM di Galeria

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T89VYI0KAxY&feature=youtu.be>

Vatican Radio in Croatian, unscheduled transmission to EaEu 0520 on
7250 SM di Galeria

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5NNueaopaeY&feature=youtu.be>

(Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VENEZUELA. FM as heard from ARUBA: q.v.

** VIETNAM. 9635.972, very odd VOV 1st program from Son Tay in
Vietnamese service, 1540 UT May 15 at S=9+20dB -54dBm heard in
Australia remote unit; schedule 2145-1600 UT (Wolfgang B.schel, dxldyg
via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of Vietnam-1 on May 20 heard the strong spurs of 5975; spurs on
both 5967.0 & 5983.0, which were // to 9635.76 at 1158 with singing
of "Happy Birthday"; while 5975 was totally covered by a strong
station (CNR8?). Has been quite a while since I last heard the spurs
and today they were very prominent (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach,
CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VIETNAM [non]. [Re 15-19] Que Me not canceled? Strong signal via
SDR in Novosibirsk, very weak signal in Bulgaria on May 15, videos
from today:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ac0De6jBSAQ&feature=youtu.be>

BUT no signal on May 8, checking via various SDR units in Asia and in
IBB Monitoring System -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, ibid.)

** VIRGIN ISLANDS BRITISH. A BIG Happy 50th anniversary to "The Big
Zed", ZBVI 780 Road town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. Sandra
Potter-Warrican and her staff are seen in this picture gathered
outside for ZBVI's 50th Anniversary Service at St. Georges Episcopal
Church. Here's the picture:

<http://www.onairdj.com/zbvi.jpg>

[so which one is she???? -- gh]

And here I am doing a top of hour station id on ZBZBVI780_TOH_ID
several months ago:

http://www.onairdj.com/ZBVI780_TOH_ID.mp3

Send a note of congratulations to the ZBVI staff. The station's email
address is zbvi@surfsvi.com (Paul walker, May 18, NRC-AM via DXLD)

** WESTERN SAHARA [non]. ARGELIA, 1550, Radio Nacional Rep'blica ;rabe Saharauí, 2010-2020, 11-05, Arabic, comments. 23322 (Manuel Méndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Grundig Satellit 500, Tecsun PL-880, Sony ICF SW 7600G, Cable antenna, 8 meters and Degen 31MS active loop antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZIMBABWE. Zimbabwe Broadcasting Corporation Online Stream --- Sadly another public broadcaster that left shortwave many years ago but I've just been informed from a friend in Harare that the 'Power FM' station of the ZBC (their youth network in English as per WRTH 2015) is now back online at the URL

<http://www.zarnet.ac.zw/powerfm.html>

No word on if the other ZBC networks also plan to return online like they were during the late 90s/early 2000s. I have just listened at 1400 UT (4 pm in Zimbabwe) and observed African drums followed by a 5 minute news bulletin in English, mostly news of the comings and goings of President Robert Mugabe. Apologies if you are already aware of this one. Regards, (Rob, Glasgow, Scotland, Wilson, May 15, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1070, MAR 30, 0143 - Latin American and International news, Venezuelan or Colombian but I could not hear an ID, "Espectador" mentions. What's noteworthy was the use of Morse code sound effects after the news report (Karl D. Forth, Santo Domingo or Bayahibe, Dominican Republic; Tecsun PL-380, NRC IDXD May 15 via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. [Re 15-19:] NvO IDENTIFICADA: 6123.7, Sinal desconhecido, 2125-..., 10/5, emiss, o com portadora vazia, aparentemente; 22441, QRM adjacente. 73, (Carlos GonÁlves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

LunedÌ 11 maggio 2015: 0415 - 6123.6 JBA. Brasil 6120 offset? (SWL I1-0799GE, Luca Botto Fiora, QTH Rapallo (Genova) - Italia, G.C. 44 21' 06.89" N / 09 13' 30.94" E, bclnews.it yg via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED [non]. Early Monday morning just before 3 am Pacific / 1000 UT, I stopped on 7200 on my radio and came upon two stations battling it out. Each signal was fairly steady and with good audio but with two stations trying to punch through, I could never figure out what either one was.

Both sounded like some sort of Asian language. I figured one was Radio Taiwan International; the only other option I see is Myanmar Radio as well.

<http://shortwaveschedule.com/index.php?freq=7200>

Here's a video, in quicktime format, of my reception, with audio; can

anyone ID what I heard, for sure?
<http://www.onairdj.com/7200.MOV>

Here's the video in WMV format with audio and video of my reception:
<http://www.onairdj.com/7200.wmv>

(Paul Walker, Redding, California, USA, Sangean ATSioiX and H-800
Skymatch Active Antenna, May 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Greetings, Paul, from Monterey, California. You are correct that RTI is one of the stations you are hearing on 7200 (about 1000-1300 UT). Because they are broadcasting in Chinese, China does not want the people on the mainland to hear RTI programming, so they jam it with the programming of CNR1, thus making it very hard to make out what is said via RTI programs. You should have no problem confirming one of the 7200 stations is CNR1 by checking for parallel programming on 6125 kHz, which is broadcasting non-jamming CNR1 programming. That is a frequency I often use to tell if I am hearing CNR1 jamming against Sound of Hope, Radio Free Asia, Voice of America, etc. As you have noted, both RTI and CNR1 jamming are about equal strength on 7200. I have not heard Myanmar at all since RTI and CNR1 started broadcasting there.

An excellent reference for these jammed stations is Aoki's database
<http://www.geocities.jp/binewsjp/ic/bia15.txt>
You will note an asterisk (*) next to RTI on 7200, meaning that RTI is in fact jammed. Most jamming is done by broadcasting the programming of CNR1, but there is also Firedragon/Firedrake jamming, which is loud Chinese music used to cover the blocked station. It sounds like loud Chinese opera music, but never with any singing. CNR1 programming is the most prevalent type of jamming that the PRC uses.
Hope this helps (Ron Howard, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. UNKNOWNIA: 9675, 2127-2129:57*, 19-May; English interview with child performer. Off without ID after brief fill music. SIO=3+53. VoA via Botswana ex-French? (Harold Fodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 65 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS
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Love to listen to your programs (JOHN BLACK, with a contribution via PayPal to woradio at yahoo.com)

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PUBLICATIONS

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DANISH SW CLUB INTERNATIONAL VOTES TO CLOSE DOWN AT THE END OF 2016

May 13, 2015 --- Dear friends, I am just back from the successful Annual General Meeting of the DSWCI in Tarp, Germany, where 24 members and wives participated. With written votes from non-participating members, we with an overwhelming majority (97%) decided to close down the DSWCI by the end of 2016, due to the general termination of shortwave broadcasting stations and the growing age of the DSWCI Board members, who cannot find any replacements. In addition we had an excellent visit to the members Hella and Karl Helt, who live in Tarp, and had very interesting lectures by our members Toshi Ohtake about iDX in Japan 2015i and by Kari Kivek‰s, Secretary General of the European DX Council, about iEDXC Statusi (Anker Petersen, DSWCI DX Window May 13 via DXLD)

LANGUAGE LESSONS

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DECIMALS

[Re 15-19:] "OK, but to be consistent and explicit in a roster/log of frequencies to one decimal place, the ``even`` ones should be '.0' too (gh, DXLD)"

Glenn, I can see your point, and that's what I do in my EXCEL logsheets, but that is more about computer technicalities. If I write 4900 instead of 4900.0 for instance, I can't arrange the whole set in increasing frequency order which is how I leave the file, not in date order as it is also common among many.

My files are one thing whereas the text reports are a different matter which explains the difference, I hope (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES

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SHARING AT THE CONVENTION

Good mornin' --- We're still on the hunt for folks who'd like to share their DX experiences at the July joint convention in Ft. Wayne. The line-up is starting to look pretty good, and there's always room for

more.

If you'd like to help us fill out the technical agenda for the convention, we could use your input; a chat of just about any length on an experience you want to share, or perhaps you'd like to ask us to cover certain topics of interest. Please let us know. If you do want to share, we can support you with audio-visual/handout copying, etc. to make your life easier, but we WOULD like to hear from you! Cheers!
(Mark Durenberger, May 16, NRC AM via DXLD)

FORT WAYNE DX CONVENTION! Registration now open!

IT'S TIME TO REGISTER FOR THE 2015 FORT WAYNE DX CONVENTION!

We're now less than two months away from our big joint gathering hosted by IRCA, NRC, WTFDA and DecalcoMania, July 10-12 in fabulous Fort Wayne, Indiana - and registration is now open.

Your \$55 registration fee includes

- Tours of area radio and TV facilities
- Educational sessions with top DXers
- Snacks and beverages (liquid, not wire!) in our meeting room
- Saturday night banquet catered by Hall's, one of Fort Wayne's top restaurateurs
- Convention program

You can register by check/money order (made payable to "National Radio Club" and sent c/o Scott Fybush, 92 Bonnie Brae Ave, Rochester NY 14618) or PayPal on the front page of <http://www.nrcdxas.org> (A small additional convenience fee may apply for PayPal registration.)

PLUS...

On Friday night, July 10, we've arranged a special group rate to see the Fort Wayne Tincaps, the class A affiliate of the San Diego Padres, take on the Great Lakes Loons at Fort Wayne's new downtown ballpark, Parkview Field! Your \$30 ticket includes a buffet dinner - there's no better bargain in baseball.

If you'd like to purchase a ticket, please contact Lisa Fybush at lisa@fybush.com or send a \$30 check/money order (made payable to "Lisa Fybush") to 92 Bonnie Brae Ave, Rochester NY 14618.

*** REGISTRATION FOR THE CONVENTION AND FOR THE BALLGAME IS DUE BY JUNE 20! ***

HOTEL:

Our hotel will be Don Hall's Guesthouse, 1313 W. Washington Center Road, Fort Wayne IN 46825 and our specially negotiated rate is \$85 per room per night. That includes comfortable lodgings and a very tasty breakfast buffet each morning. The hotel is conveniently located right off I-69, the main drag through Fort Wayne.

Reservations for the hotel are due by ***JUNE 10, 2015*** and must be made directly with the hotel by calling 260-489-2524 or 1-800-348-1999.

The Group Number is 7110. PLEASE BE SURE TO GIVE THE GROUP NUMBER TO MAKE SURE WE ARE PROPERLY CREDITED FOR ALL THE ROOMS THE CLUBS ARE USING!

Once you've made your reservation, please drop me a line at scott@fybush.com so I can keep track of who's staying with us.

EVENTS:

Our convention will get under way on Friday, July 10, with afternoon station tours and educational sessions. We'll leave the hotel at 6 to go downtown for the baseball game, if you're going. (If not, the meeting room and hotel restaurant will be open, and there are numerous other restaurants close to the hotel as well.)

On Saturday, July 11, we'll have additional station tours and educational sessions during the day, followed by our banquet, auction and club business meetings in the evening. The meeting room will be open afterward for informal DX bull sessions!

On Sunday, July 12, we'll have our famous DX Quiz in the morning, before heading our separate ways. (There may be another tour or two as well, if anyone's interested.)

If you are planning to come to the convention with your family (or are trying to figure out your summer vacation plans), summer is the peak time to visit the Fort Wayne area. The annual Three Rivers Festival kicks off July 11 with a parade and continues for nine days with a variety of activities.

Fort Wayne also has a nationally renowned Children's Zoo, a historical society, an art museum and a botanical garden. If you are interested in any nonradio activities for yourself or your companions, please get in touch with Lisa at 585-442-5411 or lisa@fybush.com and tell her what sounds fun. If there's something else that sounds fun, tell her that, too. This is not a comprehensive list. Lisa will coordinate any extraconventional activities.

AUCTION:

Please send donations for the auction to Blaine Thompson, 6523 Emmons Drive, Fort Wayne IN 46835 - or bring them to the convention with you!

TRANSPORTATION:

In addition to easy road access from much of the country, Fort Wayne is accessible by most major airlines and Greyhound bus. Amtrak serves Waterloo, Indiana, about half an hour away from the convention hotel. Please let us know as soon as possible if you'll need to be picked up at the airport, bus station or train stop. The hotel is just off I-69 and has plenty of free parking.

ANY QUESTIONS?

Registration, convention schedule, hotel or transportation: Drop me a line at scott@fybush.com

Ballgame or family activities: Drop Lisa a line at lisa@fybush.com

Educational program: If you'd like to speak or have an idea for a talk, contact Mark Durenberger at mark4@durenberger.com

SEE YOU IN WOWO-LAND! (Scott Fybush, May 21, IRCA via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See GERMANY; NIGERIA; SUDAN; USA WWCR
+++++ [in many cases incidental mentions]

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV See MEXICO; OKLAHOMA; USA
+++++ [often without using term DTV anymore]

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- IBOC See OKLAHOMA 104.5; USA 630
+++++ [in many cases incidental mentions]

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM
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HOW THE FTC IS TRYING TO PROTECT SHOPPER DATA CAUGHT UP IN
RADIOSHACK'S BANKRUPTCY --- By Andrea Peterson May 18 at 11:11 AM
<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/the-switch/wp/2015/05/18/how-the-ftc-is-trying-to-protect-shopper-data-caught-up-in-radioshacks-bankruptcy/>

RadioShack's financial demise may leave techies with one less place to buy gizmos and their information on the auction block: Customer data that the retailer collected over decades was among the assets for sale to the higher bidder as part of RadioShack's bankruptcy.

Tens of millions of customer records are up for sale, including more than 66 million containing information about the physical addresses of shoppers and 8 million associated with e-mails along with "transaction data," according to the Associated Press -- despite promises not to sell data to third parties in the company's privacy policy.

The move drew objections from dozens of state attorneys general and companies like AT&T and Apple, which partnered with the retailer to market their products. And now the government's privacy watchdog, the Federal Trade Commission, has weighed in with a letter to court-appointed consumer privacy ombudsman in the bankruptcy case.

"We understand that RadioShack's customer information constitutes a potentially valuable asset," FTC Consumer Protection Bureau chief Jessica Rich wrote. We are concerned, however, that a sale or transfer of the personal information of RadioShack's customers would contravene RadioShack's express promise not to sell or rent such information and could constitute a deceptive or unfair practice under Section 5 of the FTC Act."

[Bankrupt RadioShack wants to sell off user data. But the bigger risk is if a Facebook or Google goes bust.]

Hedge fund Standard General, which bought 1,743 of RadioShack's store leases this spring and intends to co-brand them with Sprint, led the bidding for the now defunct retailer's brand name along with other intellectual property including the customer data trove. But the deal still must be approved by a Delaware bankruptcy court. A hearing for the process is set for later this week.

"The firm has been working with the state attorneys general to ensure that the customer data is protected, and has committed to maintain RadioShack's strict privacy policies," a Standard General spokesman told the Post.

The FTC isn't asking the court to kill the deal, but it is recommending conditions it argues could help consumers' privacy. For instance, the FTC wants the data to be sold as part of a larger deal, not as a standalone asset.

The agency also wants the buyer to be in the same line of business as RadioShack and agree to adhere to the terms of RadioShack's privacy policy -- as well as get "affirmative consent" from consumers before making changes to the policy that affect data collected by RadioShack.

These terms are similar the ones laid out in a settlement FTC reached with online retailer Toystmart.com about the potential bankruptcy sale

of its data in violation of its privacy policy back in 2000. The data in that case, which involved names, addresses, billing information, shopping preferences and family profiles, including the names and birth dates of children, was eventually destroyed. The agency has also sent letters about proposed data sales in the bankruptcies of other companies, such as Borders and XY Magazine.

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DE-FACTO FENCE BEVERAGE ANTENNAS

[IRCA] Steel wire fence in Venice, CA (near Los Angeles) --- I didn't have my radio with me at the time, but there is a steel wire fence on a bike path in Venice CA which is around 1000 feet. Could this work as a pre-made beverage? Can you tap a beverage with a simple coil around it, or what is the best approach?

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Venice,+Los+Angeles,+CA/@33.9651082,-118.4505142,17z/data=!4m2!3m1!1s0x80c2bac03052685d:0x8f1101b40d5c8d3c>
(Aaron Kreider, 11 May, IRCA via DXLD)

Usually I just put my radio on the fence and it boosts reception strength significantly. Unfortunately it'd be untuned, so local stations would likely overload the receiver, negating most of the advantage and masking the weaker signals that otherwise would be heard.

I should clarify (in case there's any confusion) that I mean metal fences in general, like chain-link fences or other wire fences. I haven't been to or tried that specific fence. It also works for utility pole ground wires, although in those cases you also have the noise from the powerlines to deal with. I've found even that can vary, too. 73, (Stephen Airy, *ibid.*)

Some unknowns here, Aaron: is it a single wire on supports? A "wire fence" is a grid of wires in many people's minds, and that's mostly a random chunk of metal as far as being a radio antenna. If it is a single wire on supports, are the supports non-conductive?

Because the bike path is parallel to the salt water, your Beverage effect may be quite compromised by the water's electrical conductivity. I suspect you might just get extra signal strength without much directional effect. As for hooking up to it, that would depend on what sort of radio you're using. How would you hook up a random wire to that radio? That might be a good starting point. Good luck with this, (Nick Hall-Patch, BC, *ibid.*)

Nick, I should clarify that it is a steel cable fence. So there were three cables running parallel to the ground, that do not touch each other and appeared unbroken. Each steel cable consisted of several twisted smaller wires (but still heavy gauge).

The cables ran through slots in fence posts - maybe 10 feet apart. The supports looked non-conductive, but that would need to be tested.

At the time I had a portable Degen 1103 - which I haven't used with an external antenna on MW (and I'm not sure how to override the internal MW antenna - you might have to induce the signal into it with a coil).

I also have a QS1R which I would just connect any antenna directly to the antenna connector. But my main question is: "How effective is it to use a pickup coil on a beverage antenna?" I'm guessing there'd be a loss of sensitivity (though maybe not a huge issue if the antenna is long enough - as the signal/noise ratio would still be very good). Would there be any loss of directionality?

I didn't even consider that saltwater conductivity would hurt the beverage directionality! How far should the beverage antenna be from saltwater? Thanks, (Aaron, *ibid.*)

Chuck Hutton might have a clearer explanation of the effect of the salt water off the top of his head, Aaron, if he wants to check in. Beverages "work" because of the approaching wave front being tilted by "dragging" along non-conductive ground (to be simplistic), but the conductive salt water doesn't tilt the wave front nearly so much. Mind you, many of our desired signals are already tilted by the way they are propagated, so ---

I have actually used a 1000' wire along a Pacific coast pier in southern California many years ago, and heard TP's but it was a bit of a fly by night (or at least by sunrise) operation, so I wasn't able to compare it with anything else, or do a serious study of its directivity.

As for the "pickup coil" idea, I think you would be better off to use a 9:1 transformer (make it an autotransformer if you can't get an external ground, presumably to the salt water) to connect to the QS1R. With the Degen, you'd need to experiment; maybe coil some wire around the radio, one end to the "Beverage", one end to the ground of the Degen, battery negative terminal or headphone jack sleeve. Pretty hit and miss I'd guess. Best wishes, (Nick Hall-Patch, BC, *ibid.*)

PROPAGATION

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Center
# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity 11 - 17 May 2015
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Solar activity was low from 11-15 May. The largest event of the period was a C9/1n at 13/1838 UTC associated with a filament eruption near Region 2345 (N16, L=113, class/area Axx/020 on 13 May). Region 2339 (N13, L=129, class/area Fkc/900 on 08 May) was the most active region on the disk and produced 19 C-class events during the period. There were several filament eruptions observed during the period however, none of them turned out to be geoeffective. Solar activity decreased to very low levels for 16-17 May.

The greater than 10 MeV proton flux at geosynchronous orbit was enhanced on 12 May reaching a peak flux of 6 pfu at 12/0720 UTC but never crossed alert threshold.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal to moderate levels on 11-13 May before reaching high levels daily for the remainder of the period in response to effects from a negative polarity coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS).

Geomagnetic field activity was at unsettled to active levels on 11 May and mostly unsettled levels on 12 May due to extended periods of negative Bz. On 13 May, geomagnetic field conditions increased to active to major storm levels due to the onset of a recurrent negative polarity CH HSS. Quiet to unsettled levels persisted on 14-15 May as effects from the HSS subsided. Quiet conditions prevailed for the remainder of the period.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 18 MAY - 13 JUNE 2015

Solar activity is expected to be at very low levels with a chance for C-class flares and a slight chance of M-class flares on 18 May before decreasing further to only a chance for C-class flares once Region 2339 rotates fully around the west limb on 19 May. The chance for M-class activity increases on 25 May with the return of old Region 2335 (S15, L=192) and remain elevated through the remainder of the forecast period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at moderate to high levels from 18-28 May due to residual effects from last weeks negative polarity CH HSS followed by effects from an anticipated positive polarity HSS due to become geoeffective on 18 May. Normal to moderate levels are expected to prevail with the exception of 31 May-01 Jun, 04-06 Jun, and 10-12 Jun following various recurrent CH high speed streams.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be quiet to active on 18-19 May due to effects from a positive polarity CH HSS. Mostly quiet conditions are expected from 20 May to 01 Jun. Quiet to unsettled conditions with a chance for active periods are expected on 02-03 Jun due to effects from a negative polarity HSS followed by quiet conditions through 06 Jun. Unsettled conditions are expected on 07 and 10 Jun as well as active to minor storm conditions on 08-09 Jun due to the anticipated return of the recurrent negative polarity CH HSS that yielded major storm conditions this week. Mostly quiet conditions are expected for the remainder of the period.

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27-day Space Weather Outlook Table

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#	UTC	Radio Flux 10.7 cm	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index
#	Date			
	2015 May 18	115	15	3
	2015 May 19	105	12	4
	2015 May 20	95	5	2
	2015 May 21	90	5	2
	2015 May 22	90	5	2
	2015 May 23	90	5	2
	2015 May 24	95	5	2
	2015 May 25	105	5	2
	2015 May 26	105	5	2
	2015 May 27	105	5	2
	2015 May 28	105	5	2
	2015 May 29	105	8	3
	2015 May 30	105	8	3
	2015 May 31	110	5	2

2015 Jun 01	115	5	2
2015 Jun 02	120	15	4
2015 Jun 03	120	10	3
2015 Jun 04	125	5	2
2015 Jun 05	130	5	2
2015 Jun 06	130	5	2
2015 Jun 07	120	12	3
2015 Jun 08	120	25	5
2015 Jun 09	120	25	5
2015 Jun 10	120	12	3
2015 Jun 11	120	5	2
2015 Jun 12	120	5	2
2015 Jun 13	110	8	3

(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1774, DXLD)

GLENN'S PROPAGATION OUTLOOK FOR MEDIA NETWORK PLUS AS OF MAY 21, 2015

From IPS in Australia, the GLOBAL HF PROPAGATION FORECAST thru 23 May is normal at all latitudes.

Spaceweather South Africa thru May 23: magnetic conditions quiet; shortwave fadeouts unlikely; MUF stable.

Met Office UK says solar activity low with a chance of common class flares through May 24. Geomagnetic activity is likely to remain quiet to unsettled.

F K Janda in Prague says the Geomagnetic field will be:
quiet on May 23, 26 - 27, June 5 - 6
mostly quiet on May 24, 28, June 2 - 4
quiet to unsettled on May 25, 29, 31
quiet to active on May 30, June 7
active to disturbed on June 1, 8 - 9
disturbed on June 10

The outlook from the NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center in Colorado: geomagnetic field mostly quiet until June 1 with A and K indices of 5 and 2 or 8 and 3; then quiet to unsettled June 2 and 3; active to minor storm conditions on June 8 and 9 with A and K indices of 25 and 5. Solar flux dipping to 90 May 23, rising to 130 by June 5.

Bill Hepburn's VHF UHF DX maps call for extreme tropospheric ducting all week around the Arabian and Indian peninsulas (via DXLD) ####